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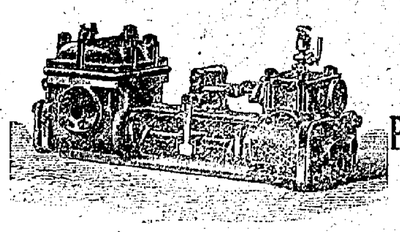
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T. ARNOLD,
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Hongkong, September 29, 1899. 2155

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
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Hongkong, September 11, 1899. 2040

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NOTICE.

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By Order,
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Hongkong, Sept. 27, 1899. 2140

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-Sixth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Building, Praya Reclamation, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 12th October, 1899, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account for the year 1898, and for the half year ending the 30th June, 1899, and of Declaring DIVIDENDS.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 12th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Secretary,
Hongkong, Sept. 29, 1899. 2102

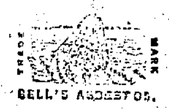
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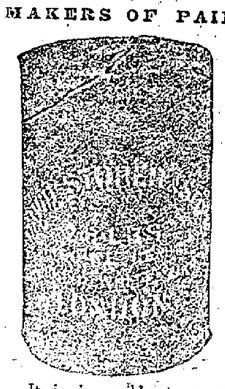
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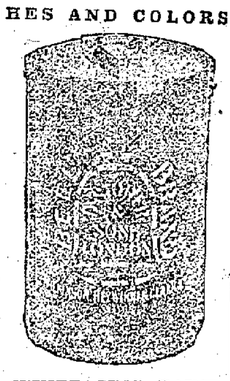
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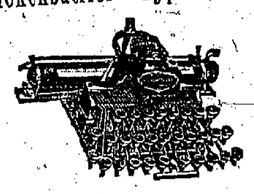
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Hongkong, April 14, 1899.

MUSICAL NOTES.

It is with pleasure that I note the arrival in the Colony of a new teacher of music. There is a very great demand just now for musical tuition, and our teachers in Hongkong are really unable to find time to attend to all those who would receive tuition from them. There is always room for a good teacher, and, to judge from the Diplomas of the new Maestro, it would appear that he is a really first-class musician and music teacher. Maestro Alfredo Galluzzi was for four years a student in the Royal College of Music in Naples, where he studied the piano and various orchestral instruments, specializing in the flute. He also studied harmony and counterpoint and singing, and on the completion of his course was engaged as a teacher in the Royal College, in which capacity he acted for two years. Since that time Maestro Galluzzi has been engaged as professor of music in various cities in Italy. During his eleven years' residence in Rome, he became a Member of the Royal Philharmonic Academy of Rome and also Member of the Royal Academy of St. Cecilia. Maestro Galluzzi was until quite recently established in Lechorn, where he was conductor of the Amateur Choral Society.

Hongkong is certainly coming to the front as a Musical Colony. The Organ Recitals given by Mr Ward in the Cathedral last year have been noted by the *Musical Times*, the leading musical periodical in England. In the notes upon Church Music, the *Musical Times* says, 'In these days it seems more natural to expect from Hongkong news of perplexing political problems than evidences of the advance of Church music. All the same, welcome news of special choral services come to hand from time to time, and the scheme of one such service at St. John's Cathedral, in the city of tea and opium, includes Mendelssohn's 'Hear my Prayer,' Stainer's cantata 'The Daughter of Jairus,' and Sullivan's 'O gladsome Light,' from 'The Golden Legend,' given with Mr G. Grimble as organist and Mr A. G. Ward as conductor. From Sydney, N.S.W., and other remote places similar tidings of the welcome development of the Church musical service are to hand.'

Three important Musical Festivals are being held in England during the autumn, at Worcester, Norwich and Sheffield. The first, which was to take place on Sept. 10, and four following days, is by far the oldest, having been instituted in 1724. The Norwich Festival, which begins on October 3, was first held in 1788, but until 1824 the meetings were only held intermittently, and not triennially, as now.

There is a story which casts light upon the attitude of the clergy of the early part of this century towards oratorio performance. In 1839 Spohr conducted his oratorio 'Calvary' at the Norwich Festival. The subject aroused the indignation and wrath of the narrow-minded clerics. Spohr, who did not understand English, attended the Cathedral service on the Sunday preceding the Festival, and during the sermon noticed that the preacher frequently used the title of his oratorio. The composer, knowing nothing of the attitude of the clerical party, fondly imagined that the preacher's remarks were complimentary, and beamed with complacent smiles upon those seated around. To his horror and disgust, he afterwards found that the preacher had denounced the oratorio in vigorous terms, and had concluded by declaring his conviction that all who listened to the performance thereof would undoubtedly be '*eternally damned*.'

The last of the Festivals will be held at Sheffield on October 11, and two following days. Knowing what splendid voices the Yorkshire singers possess, I should say that some first-class choral singing will be heard at the cutlery capital.

Among the new music to be produced for the first time may be mentioned a 'New Orchestral Piece,' by S. Coleridge-Taylor, the composer who became prominent only about a year ago; 'New Cycle of Songs' by E. Elgar, composed specially for Miss Clara Butt; a symphonic suite, 'The Seasons,' by Edward Gorman, and an Norwich another by Mr Coleridge-Taylor, an 'Overture' to his popular cantata 'Hiawatha's Wedding Feast.' 'The Passion of Christ,' by Perosi, the new Italian composer, is to be performed at Norwich for the first time in England. MUSICUS

THE BOER WAR BOGEY.

In sending us the following cutting from the *Limerick Chronicle*, a subscriber writes that the facts contained therein confirm Sergt.-Major Lowrie's recent letter on the Laing's Nek affair in the last war:—

The idea is very prevalent in this country that war with the Transvaal means a terrible and bloody struggle—that such conflict would severely tax British military resources, that it could not be concluded without a vast expenditure of money, and that it must necessarily demand consummate leadership to bring to a successful issue. For this view there appears to be no adequate justification. In some respects it is not altogether to be regretted that such an opinion should be entertained; we have so often in the past embarked on campaigns with insufficient troops and, without proper preparation, that a tendency to overrate the strength of our enemy is not without its advantages. But, on the other hand, it is certain that among the many opponents of the policy of pushing matters to extremes, not a few are actuated by terror at this bogey of Boer military power which has been set up, and derive their convictions not from any knowledge of the merits of the matter in dispute, but from a not unnatural objection to expose the Queen's soldiers to what in all good faith they believe to be very grave and serious dangers. And it is therefore most desirable that the military aspect of a possible war with the South African Republic should, in its broad features at least, be better understood by the British public.

The very exaggerated estimate of the fighting strength of the Boers which is so generally entertained is, no doubt, largely due to recollections of the disastrous war of 1881, and to the fate of the filibustering expedition generally spoken of as Jameson's Raid. This last fatuous enterprise it is impossible to take seriously from the military point of view, and to discuss it would be more waste of time. But Sir George Colley's campaign stands on quite another footing. In 1881 a force of regular British soldiers, under a commander of varied experience and great distinction, was defeated on three separate occasions by the military forces of the Transvaal—forces which then possessed far less elaborate organisation than they do to-day. And it will not be out of place to briefly recall the incidents of the few unfortunate weeks, when a few but not unrepresentative portion of our army suffered such signal reverses at the hands of a mere collection of farmers without discipline and without guns.

Sir W. Butler's sympathetic biography of Sir G. Colley has recalled facts almost forgotten, to many of us who are familiar with the story of the conflicts around Laing's Nek, and who acquainted ourselves with the topography of the little theatre of war when the carcasses of slain horses and piles of cartridge-cases still served as marks to denote the vicissitudes of combat. Sir W. Butler makes it clear that the ill-fated commander of the British forces realised from the outset that the Boers were antagonists deserving of respect. But in this he stood almost alone. The idea that those Dutch farmers would offer any real resistance to the advancing army was ridiculed among the colonists of South Africa up to the very moment when the news was flashed over the wires that the troops had delivered their assault on the position which the enemy had occupied within the borders of Natal, and had been repulsed with heavy loss.

To disregard local opinion is rarely wise. But on the occasion of the outbreak of the last Boer war local opinion was strangely at fault. And there can be no question that in attempting what was in reality a desperate enterprise, the storming of a position so formidable as Laing's Nek with a mere handful of troops, Sir G. Colley was influenced not merely by anxiety for the beleaguered garrisons in the Transvaal, but also by the very low opinion of the courage and the fighting capabilities of the Boers which was entertained in the colony of which he was the governor. This was the first, and it was not the least, of the causes which brought about disasters suffered by his force.

Sir G. Colley had practically no cavalry, and this is by general consent among military experts set down as the chief reason for the complete failure of our troops to hold their own. It is a recognised principle of tactics that the most effective way of dealing with mounted infantry is to operate against it with cavalry. So difficult, indeed, is the position of mounted infantry when attacked by cavalry that the great military Powers will have nothing to say to a class of troops which now forms a recognised branch of the British army. The Boers fought exactly as mounted infantry is supposed to fight. Their ponies served merely as a means of transport, enabling them to move rapidly from point to point and then to operate on foot. And, fighting against an enemy employing such tactics, it was essential that a few squadrons of cavalry should form part of the force, to attack the adversary when on the move, and to harass the adversary when at rest by threatening his horses.

It was the lack of cavalry on the British side which enabled the Boers to sweep down upon the small column moving from Mount Prospect back to Newcastle, and to entrap it in a trap on the heights by the Ingogo river. Nothing in the war more alarmed the Boers than the reconnaissance of a cavalry squadron, when this at last reached Newcastle, far into their territory. It was the belated appearance of the cavalry at the front which, more than anything else, checked the hostile raids against the communications of the British advanced troops at Mount Prospect. And the one gleam of light in the dark picture of the combats which took place, was the charge of a few troopers up the steep and difficult slopes on the left flank of the hostile position at Laing's Nek, and the complete discomfiture of the enemy at that point in spite of superiority of numbers and of entrenchments.

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AN INSTRUCTIVE SOCIAL PHENOMENON IN CHINA.

During the year 1898, much was heard of a Society variously known as the Big Sword, and the I Ho Ch'üan (義和拳), if indeed these be not quite different things. As their scene of operations was different from the writer's base many hundred li, everything was as vague and misty as Chinese (mis) information generally is. But after the special matter in dispute was alleged to have been settled—which seems actually to have been the fact and stranger yet still to have remained so—there were mysterious mutterings of troubles in counties of Shantung remote from the disturbed regions, and without visible interests in common.

The first heard of this was the sudden appearance in the County of Ch'ih P'ing, of bands of peasants assembling at so-called 'camps' with home-made swords, some of them very large, for the practice of evolutions and for military training generally. All that foreigners know about these bands must of necessity come from common rumour only, since one of the incidental (or perhaps main) ultimate objects of the practice is the driving out or the extermination of the Barbarian. For this reason, it is generally injudicious for Chinese known to have relations with the Barbarian to be at the same time conversant with the Great Sword fraternity.

The District Magistrate promptly issued proclamations forbidding the assemblage of persons for the purpose named, with threats of arrest and punishment, in the prescribed manner, to which in the same manner no attention was paid by any human being. For a time, the outlook appeared stormy, but the shrewder Chinese seemed to think it was only a squall and not a typhoon, and no particular attention was paid to it. During the busy cotton-picking time, there was no leisure for such unusual combinations as Harmony with Righteousness, and in the winter the whole movement seems to have died away.

During the month of May, we were much surprised to learn of the reappearance of the I Ho Ch'üan in the province of Chihli, a few hundred li to the north of the region where the Roman Catholic trouble of 1898 occurred.

In this case the organization was effected by a nephew of the wife of the District Magistrate of the County where it was proposed to attack a station of the London Mission. A band of several hundred men was got together, under the lead of the Wife's Nephew, they valiantly kidnapped a native deacon who was held for ransom, they set a day for demolishing the foreign premises, including a fine hospital known far and wide, and boldly encamped at a distance of ten li or so to await the day—and other events. A telegram to the Tientsin Consul, and a Deputy from Pao Ting Fu, the provincial capital in name at least, brought a new turn to affairs, which, after the usual Chinese delays, resulted in the complete discomfiture and humiliation of the Harmoniously Righteous combination, the Wife's Nephew being banished to his native heath, humble apologies made, all expenses incurred by the Mission paid, and numerous and adequate guarantees given against the repetition of the attack, or any similar one. Meanwhile the numerous occupants of the large compound had been on a continuous nervous strain for many weeks.

Nearly two months after these events it began to be rumored that a new evolution of Harmony-and-Righteousness was brewing in the County of Level Plains (平原) several hundred li distant from the Chihli county last affected. Here there was a better opportunity for analysis of the phenomena than before, owing to their proximity to our base. In each case there was a leader or set of leaders coming from Somewhere, who sowed the dragon's teeth with a liberal hand. Most of them seemed to sprout. It is difficult to say how they were irrigated, but it seems likely that the alleged object was often what banners show it to be in some: 'Protect the Ch'ing, Destroy the Foreigner (Pao Ch'ing; Mieh Yang) 保清滅洋. In one of the villages where a mission chapel has long been located, a 'camp' has been started. In such cases it requires great self-restraint on the part of the native Christians not to get into trouble. Religious ceremonies form a part of the routine military proceedings. The aid of some extinct 'Immortal' (*hsien*) is invoked, and no one is allowed to treat the performances with disrespect. It was not long before a spark ignited some of this inflammable material in a village lying on the edge of two counties, one of them that in which these lines are written. Do not ask us, kind Reader, to tell what happened. No one could do that, even after the business is done, and at present it is only in its earlier stages. Two District Magistrates are reported to have visited the same village, but neither was able to do anything because of the vast multitudes either belonging to or sympathizing with the I Ho Ch'üan. Still two of its members are said to be in prison. The District Magistrate chiefly concerned at a later stage invoked the friendly offices of three others and all four met and deliberated on the case, compromising it (temporarily) on no intelligible principle, ready to break out afresh at some later day—a typical Chinese adjustment. A Roman Catholic priest is reported to have remained some weeks in another District city, courteously treated by the Magistrate meanwhile. It is rumored that he lost a string of beads, but whether he lost his case, or his temper, or what has happened or will happen, we repeat none of us at present knows, or is likely to know for some time to come. Fortunately these details of interest to the priest, and to other foreigners similarly situated, do not concern the instruction which such events yield to those who look at them in their wider relations.

(To be Continued.)

IS THIRTEEN AN UNLUCKY NUMBER?

'TOMMY' HUDSON'S EXPERIENCES.

'Tommy' Hudson, who has just returned to Australia from a trip to India with his 'Surprise Party,' has had some sad experiences since he was here about 18 months ago. He says (reports *The Australasian*) that though he is not in the least superstitious, he cannot help feeling that the sequence of the fatal number 13 is, in his case, so remarkable as to furnish believers in the old superstition with a fair ground for comment. Last year, on March 13, he sailed by the R.M.S. *India* with Mrs Hudson and his two boys. He left them at Colombo, as they were going on to London, and he himself took the next steamer to Calcutta, arriving there on April 13. He left Calcutta on May 13, and arrived in London on May 31, (the same two figures backwards). He rejoined his wife and two sons, and on June 13 his boy Arthur, a lad of eight, while playing on the first floor balcony of the house in Belgrave-road where they were staying, overbalanced himself, and fell on his head on the pavement below. The child's skull was fearfully injured. Mrs Hudson, who witnessed the occurrence, sustained a terrible shock, from which she never recovered. Mr Hudson took his son to St. George's Hospital, where he was operated on by Mr Allingham, the side of the skull having been completely crushed in. The patient was quite blind for 13 days. On October 13 Mr Hudson, who had to go back to India to take up his professional engagements, said good-bye to his wife. Changing steamers at Colombo, he was put into stateroom number 13, and on November 13, when he had just opened with his company in Calcutta, he received the news of Mrs Hudson's death in Adelaide. She had never been herself since the occurrence in London, and her death was really due to shock. Mr Hudson adds that Mrs Hudson's birthday was December 13. When they were married in May, 1888, he took his wife for the honeymoon to Port Victor, in South Australia, and there the room in Humberstone's Hotel which was allotted to them on the first day of their married life was number 13. Mrs Hudson played at an at home in Adelaide a fortnight before her death, and there were 13 persons present. When her attention was called to the fact, she laughingly declared that she was not at all superstitious. Mr Hudson says that the unlucky number kept turning up to the last. When he was in India he had 18 members in his company, but two withdrew, and one had to be left behind, so that he returned to Adelaide, with 15. Two there cleared out without notice, and went on board the homeward-bound German mail steamer immediately on their arrival, so that when he reached Adelaide his company consisted of 13 persons. Mr Hudson expresses the opinion that such a chain of coincidences is unprecedented in the history of the old superstition.

Viewing Forts at Moji.

Foreigners will soon have to be careful that they do not look at the scenery in Japan, much less take photos of it, or they run a great risk of being arrested as spies. An amusing instance of this is reported in the *Osaka Mainichi*. On the 15th inst., says our contemporary, two Germans were seen loitering about in front of the entrance gates to the fort on the Kojo hill at Moji. The guards thought their behaviour suspicious and attempted to arrest them. They resisted the attempt, and after a struggle escaped and ran away. The guards chased and overtook one of them in front of the office of the Mitsui Bank at Moji. Information was given at the Gendarmerie Station, and after making inquiries among the foreign vessels at Moji, the foreigners in question were found to belong to the crew of a German steamer, one being an engineer and the other a cook. Upon further examination it was ascertained that they came ashore for a walk and made their way to the fort unintentionally. There was nothing suspicious in their movements, and accordingly no action was taken. —*Kobe Chronicle.*

Arrested for Embezzlement.

The *Manila Times* of the 20th September reports:—Last Saturday night, the British Consul at Manila received telegraphic notification from the Hongkong authorities to be on the lookout for and apprehend one Henry Hoskins, who was supposed to have taken passage on the S.S. *Esmeralda* for this port. Hoskins is supposed to be an employee of a prominent Hongkong firm, and is alleged to have absconded with $6,000 Mex. of his employers' money. When the *Esmeralda* arrived here yesterday the British Vice-Consul immediately went aboard the boat for the purpose of apprehending his man, but the captain of the *Esmeralda* refused to surrender his passenger on the grounds that he was a British subject, and this being a foreign port, extradition papers were necessary. The Vice-Consul then interviewed the Captain of the Port, who personally went aboard, and on his own authority, as Captain of the Port, had the man arrested and taken ashore to be detained in custody as a suspect until the proper extradition papers should arrive from Hongkong, when he will be duly arrested and turned over to the proper authorities. The Consul absolutely refused to be interviewed on the subject.

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Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 511.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of October, 1899, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. 2136

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of October, 1899, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Mo Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor to Her Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of 75 years.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, September 26, 1899. 2142

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Evensong.—5.45 p.m.:—Responses, Ferial; Psalms, Purcell, Cooke and Tucker; Magnificat, Tuyle in F; Nunc Dimittis, Ouseley in D; Hymns, 26, 282 and 219; Voluntaries, March—Westbrook; Andante Grazioso—Smart.

UNION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1.

11 a.m.: Hymns, 125, 272 and 351; Psalm, 67 (tune Selma); Anthem, 27, 'Thine, O Lord, is the greatness;' Voluntaries, Roberts, Smart and Goss.

6 p.m.:—Hymns, 217, 3 319, 368 and 494; Voluntaries, Stallow and Hopkins.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.—WANCHAI SUNDAY, OCT. 1.

Morning:—10.30. Evening:—6.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Rahi la* leaves for Nagasaki.

Daylight.—*Maidaira Maru* leaves for Swatow.

Daylight.—*Formosa* leaves for Swatow.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

4 p.m.—*Airlie* leaves for Australian Ports.

3 p.m.—*Catherine Apear* leaves for Calcutta, &c.

Auctions.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Good per *Bingo Maru* not cleared after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, October 3:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Sundry Household and Stone's Furniture, by Messrs Hughes and Hough.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of the Hongkong Club, at the Club House.

Goods per *Tonkin* unclaimed after Noon, subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, October 4:—

11 a.m.—Auction of 400 tons Cardiff Coal, at Hughes and Hough Godown No. 7, and Tai Wo's Godown No. 43, Wanchai.

11.30 a.m.—Private Meeting of Shareholders of the Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.

Noon.—Tenders marked Freight from Hongkong to West River Ports, received by H. M. Commodore in Charge.

THURSDAY, September 5:—

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☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 6.00 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1899.

Dr Clark, the Medical Officer of Health, delivered a telling speech at Thursday's meeting of the Sanitary Board. We respect him for it; it is a treat in this God-forsaken place to hear the honest opinions of an honest man, and we are sure that portion of the community whose judgments are not warped by self-interest will respect the doctor for his outspoken criticisms and comments. We fear the mouths of too many of our so-called leaders of public opinion are shut on the insanitary condition of the Colony because much of 'the Colony's property is in the hands of men to whom the physical and moral welfare of the community is naught in comparison with their illicit gains from the rackrenting of foul brothels and foster tenements.' But Dr Clark should remember one thing. It is not a fact, as he assumes, that the term 'emasculated' is applied to the Sanitary Board because the public consider the present members so many 'old women.' Far from this being the case, we believe we are expressing public opinion when we say that at no period in its chequered history has the individual members of the Board so universally earned the public esteem. It has been dubbed emasculated because it has never been properly constituted since the resignation of the unofficial members as a protest against certain action of the Government unanimously condemned by the public. Sir William Robinson ran counter to public opinion, and the reconstitution of the Board was postponed by Mr Chamberlain till the arrival of Sir Henry Blake. Sir Henry Blake has arrived. Indeed, he has been in the Colony over ten months, and as yet the public has not heard anything of his proposals for the reconstitution of the Board. He has not even declared his policy in regard to it,—if he has a policy. To be frank, we do not know as a fact that His Excellency has a policy on a single subject affecting the Colony's welfare. He has no reason to complain of public criticism. He has had a free hand, and has not been hampered by the importunities of an impatient community, yet he opens not his mouth.

Before Dr Clark, in his fit of righteous indignation, rises up and upbraids 'the representatives of the vast commerce of this port,' he should bear in mind that little or no encouragement is given to the free expression of individual opinion in this Colony, and even when advice is tendered it is too often scornfully rejected by the little tin gods whom Providence has ordained should rule over us. In the first place, the Colony needs a thorough reconstruction of the Sanitary Board. As at present constituted, it is neither fish, flesh, fowl nor good red herring. It is a hybrid, with all the inherent faults of a hybrid. If the Government wants the assistance and the advice of men of commonsense, men of the world, men who know the requirements of the place in accordance with the predominant interests of commerce, let the Government endeavour to restore public confidence in the Board by re-creating it, by enlarging its scope, by enlarging the membership, and by attracting to it the very men who are needed as advisers in times of easy-going prosperity, as well as in times of dire distress and devastating epidemic. The present Board is a subterfuge, a sham. It is not and never was representative of the community. It must either have wider powers,—with a Government check by all means, but not a check amounting to a veto on every proposal made in the public interests. The Medical Officer of Health should be, as he is at home, the servant of the Board as much as the Sanitary Inspector, the Superintendent and Secretary or any of the other adjuncts of this branch of the Civil Service. Now is the time to set the Sanitary Department in order, not when an epidemic is prevalent and the public mind is in a state of panic. Let the Government fulfil the promise of Mr Chamberlain, and then there will be less reason for Dr Clark's exhortation to the leading commercial men of Hongkong to step upon the rostrum and deliver themselves of their views on the sanitation of the Colony. The leading commercial men, however true it may be that they have only a limited interest in public affairs, have only limited leisure. They have their own business cares and responsibilities. As a rule, they are not sluggards, and yet are not all gifted with a superabundance of energy which must needs expend itself in the discharge of public duties. But up till now there has not been overmuch encouragement in high places to a free expression of opinion, which, after all, is absolutely useless if not acted upon in practice either by the Government or by the officers of the Board. Much of the present insanitary condition of Hongkong is due to overcrowding. Overcrowding is a result of rackrenting. Rack-renting and absentee landlordism are at the root of the Colony's insanitary condition, and until the Government, of its own initiative or as the outcome of a free expression of public opinion through the Sanitary Board, grapples with this question, and makes the purchase of land easy on certain conditions as to building, occupation and rentals, Hongkong will remain insanitary, and its value as a port of call as certainly will become seriously impaired. The Sanitary Board staff, already very largely increased since the plague epidemic of 1894, may be doubled yet again, but that will not achieve the end desired by Dr Clark and every other true disciple of sanitary science. Desperate diseases require desperate remedies. The rack-renting landlord whose inhuman exactions compel poor people to huddle together so as to produce severe plague epidemics like those that have devastated Hongkong, are as dangerous as the assassin who lurks in the highways waiting for his human victims, and as such should be met by drastic measures. He is a curse to humanity, a positive danger to mankind, and deserves as little consideration as the most hardened criminal. His aiders and abettors are in the same category. Hongkong is fast becoming an impossible place for the poor man—Chinese and European. Instead of holding aloft the lamp of civilisation, the Europeans in Hongkong are allowing themselves to be uncivilised by contact with China and the Chinese. They are quickly retrograding, because, forsooth, they are afraid of the cry of 'grandmotherly legislation.' As Dr Clark hints, there is next to no consideration for the physical and moral welfare of the poorer classes in the Colony. Burden upon burden is heaped upon the poorer classes, whilst the rich are allowed to go scot free. The Government is what the property jobber chooses to make it. There are so few disinterested men in the community that they are afraid to open their mouths. The free expression of public opinion is discouraged rather than encouraged by the inertness of the Government. Suggestions made from time to time are systematically ignored. Jerry-built houses may fall and kill their tens of people; what does the Government care so long as the crown rentals are paid regularly? What does it matter if there are a few hundreds of Chinese less in Taipingshan to-day than there were yesterday so long as no high Government official is killed! Public spirit is dead because, to some extent, Government has not encouraged it; it is dead partly because self interest is the ruling factor in busy men's lives, partly because men do not think, partly because at the present moment the Colony seems to be drifting along without any definitive Government aim or policy. If a Government, like an individual, could have its periods of introspection then the Government of Hongkong, just now, should be well ashamed of itself. Is Sir Henry Blake wholly blameless in respect of insanitary Hongkong since he has permitted the re-valuation of the Colony on the basis of the recent inflation of house rentals, the rack-renting of the property sharks and sharpers?

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Japanese Settlements in China.

The Convention relating to the Japanese Settlement at Fuchow consists of twelve Articles, a special agreement of five Articles being annexed. The term of lease is for thirty years, renewable at the expiration of that time. The dispatch-boat *Yaeyama* has been ordered to proceed to Amoy, at the request of the Foreign Office. She left Sasebo on the 19th inst. The gunboat *Tatsuta* left Shanghai for Amoy on the same day.

Paris Exhibition.—Cheap Fares.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, it is reported from Japan, has decided to allow a discount of 15 per cent. on passenger fares to Marseilles during the French Exhibition. The first-class passage will thus be reduced from 400 to 340 yen, and the second class from 280 to 238 yen. Twenty per cent. discount is to be allowed on return passages. The company may suffer a loss of several thousand yen, but the management thinks it only right to support Japanese traders and artists.

The 'Esmeralda.'

We are advised by Messrs Shewan, Tomes and Co, the agents, that the steamer *Esmeralda* will leave for Manila on Monday. The *Esmeralda* struck a derelict on her last voyage to Amoy and it was feared she would have to go into dock, but an examination of the vessel has shown that that is not necessary. The *Nanyang* was to have taken up her run had the *Esmeralda* required to go into dock.

The Military Position at Natal.

In connection with the despatch of troops to Ladysmith, in Natal (as announced by Reuter on Thursday), it is interesting to note from English newspapers received by yesterday's mail that the military authorities had decided more than a month ago to convert Ladysmith into an important military station, for which it is said to be admirably adapted. Colonel Knox, of the Royal Horse Artillery, formerly in command at Newbridge, has been given the command at Ladysmith, with the rank of Colonel on the Staff.

News from the Philippines.

Mr Robinson, of Manila, has received the contract for raising the U.S. cable ship *Hooker* at Corregidor. The figure quoted is $125,000.

The American authorities in Manila have declared tobacco contraband. Filipinos have been arrested for attempting to smuggle cigarettes through the lines.

Reports are published in Manila to the effect that the Filipinos have been successful in landing munitions in Luzon by filibuster schooners.

The U.S. transport *Indiana* may visit Hongkong with the Tennessee Volunteer Regiment on board. Colonel Childers has arranged to have the transport conveying his regiment put in at Shanghai, Nagasaki, Hongkong and one or two other Oriental ports at his own expense in order that his men may do some sight seeing, a favor that is very much appreciated by the men. If they come to Hongkong, the local Volunteers may be able to arrange another shooting match, and so help to cement the alliance.

Accident to s.s. 'Afghanistan.'

Messrs Dodwell and Co. Limited write to us under this date as follows:—The remarks under the above heading in your issue of yesterday lead one to suppose the steamer in question is the one shortly due here from New York. This is not the case. The accident happened to a smaller steamer of the same name bound from London and Newport to Bassorah.

The Legislative Council.

The Legislative Council meets on Wednesday next, at 4 p.m. Mr Whitehead will ask a long batch of questions, chiefly referring to the New Territory and Jerry Building in Hongkong. Five bills for the naturalisation of Chinese, will be introduced, and the first reading will be taken of amending Ordinances to the Vagrancy Ordinance of 1897, the Rating Ordinance of 1898, and the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance of 1889.

Training Home for Girls.

Miss Davies begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Building Fund for the 'Training Home for Chinese Girls,' London Mission:—

Mrs Ng Ho	$ 50
Mrs Ho Hiu Ming	10
Mrs Wong	10
Mrs Mattheay	5
Mrs Olsen	5
Sums under Five Dollars Per J. Dyer Ball:—	5
Wong Wing Chiu	10
Wong Lai Shang	5
Li Ping	5
Sums under Five Dollars	20

'The Yellow Dragon.'

The third number of 'The Yellow Dragon,' the Magazine of Queen's College, makes its appearance to-day. It has a new and more attractive dress, and alike in its contents and general appearance is a decided advance on former issues. It is essentially up to date, too, with articles on 'The Transvaal,' 'Can China Progress by herself,' and 'The Moon Festival' The full page illustration is most excellent, and itself well worth the modest price of the number.

Captain the Hon. H. Lambton.

'Atlas' writes in *The World*:—Captain Lambton is ordered to proceed home with all possible despatch, with a view to taking up his duties as Chief of the Staff to Sir John Fisher. He is serving at present on the China Station in command of the *Powerful*, which vessel he is to bring to England to be paid off. Captain Lambton, it is arranged, in taking over his new appointment, shall be free from all executive duties, and devote himself entirely to the general administration of the fleet in Mediterranean waters. He is an officer of recognised ability, and his selection has been received with much favour in the Service.

Royal Welch Fusiliers.

The World says:—Colonel Mainwaring, who commanded the 2nd Battalion Royal Welch Fusiliers during the troubles in Crete, and was given a Companionship of St. Michael and St. George in recognition of his services, has been still further rewarded by being selected for service on the Staff as Assistant Adjutant-General at Portsmouth, with the substantive rank of Colonel in the Army. Colonel Mainwaring has taken up his new duties, in succession to Colonel Auld, whose term has expired, and Major Bertie, now second in command of the 1st Battalion Royal Welch Fusiliers, has received orders to proceed at an early date to Hongkong to take up command of the 2nd Battalion in Colonel Mainwaring's place.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—*At Kowloon.*—Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, H.M.S. Bonaventure, Foihoo, Kiangpak, Suevia, Nanshan, Simla, Hue.

Cosmopolitan.—Don Juan de Austria, Taiyuan, Wycfield.

Aberdeen.—Suevia.

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Notes by the Way.

H.M.S. *Waterwitch* arrived at Pagoda Anchorage on the 16th September.

Prospects of the Foochow Winter Race Meeting are more favourable than they were a fortnight ago.

The Hon. E. H. Conger, U.S. Minister to China, was well received by the Viceroy at Foochow, on the occasion of his visit to that port. An elaborate feast was prepared, foreign food being provided. Mr Conger's visit to the Viceroy was duly returned.

'FRIGHTENED WATERS' MURMUR

That the principal topic of the week has been the sanitary (or insanitary) condition of the Colony.

That the 'emasculated' body now put forward as the Sanitary Board is not the Board that was appointed years ago.

That for nearly two decades the Board has been a sort of official burlesque, excepting the period that certain representative members sat on it.

That the radical fault in the Board, even when the popular members sat on it, was that is was a mere sub-department of the Government.

That as this fact got accentuated to a bursting point, the popular members resigned in a body.

That the only member representing the community who remained upon the Board was Mr N. J. Ede, who was absent from the Colony at the time of the general resignation of the popular representatives of the Board. (For further particulars, see Dr Hartigan.)

That it may be the Governor can never enter into the feelings of the community in this matter, even though the Secretary of State has delegated the settlement of this matter to him.

That the pure ridiculousness of the situation is shown conclusively by the able and creditable (and independent) speech delivered by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Board meeting.

That Dr Clark arrived in the Colony after the disruption of the Board, and therefore may not be in touch with the feeling of soreness which possesses the community.

That the policy of the present members of the Board must in the abstract meet with the approval of the community, as light and air are the only safeguard against plague visitations.

That some of the members of the Sanitary Board are very bold, and creditably so, in their strictures upon house-owners, but there is little said directly and formally against the horde of rack-renting house-owners in or out of the Colony.

That it is not for amateurs to know when a gun can be cleaned—even at Victoria Peak.

That the mail gun has been fired for—oh my! how many years—and the Harbour Master is doubtless quite right in having it re-vented, or re-melted.

That, having watched for, and waited for, the mail guns for many years, I can quite understand that many residents look upon the mail-gun (maskee how many guns there may be now) as a prime necessity.

That the question arises, How long does it take to clean a gun in the Gibraltar and Malta of the East?

That I see you have been bucking up against the Military Contribution once more.

That you may be able to tell the Community how it can go up successfully against a brick-wall, but I can't see it.

That you are quite right in protesting against the arbitrary arrangement of the Colonial Office as to the financial administration of the New Territory; but Heaven help the Colony, even if the New Territory proves to be a success.

That I don't agree with the Right Hon. Joseph in producing discontent in such out-of-the-way places in the Empire.

That they tend to dislocate the grand idea he seems to entertain concerning Imperial union, and probably they are fostered by the Official Permanent Officials of the Colonial Office, who fail to realize the importance of the situation.

That the Volunteers of Hongkong might have got an answer, one way or another, to their handsome offer regarding their expressed desire to rend a battery of Maxims to the Transvaal.

That the Chinese merchants and compradores are to be sincerely congratulated upon the handsome response they have made to the Tung-Wah Hospital appeal.

That seeing the Tung-wah is now almost half-and-half a Western Hospital, the efforts of Dr Chung are practically recognised by the leading members of the Chinese community.

That I suppose we ought to be specially thankful for the early monsoon, as its unusually early advent tends to make residents less restive under present governmental rule.

That, such being the case, it is fervently hoped the monsoon will hold out.

BROWNIE.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 30th, at 11.55 a. The barometer has fallen over Japan and the Philippines. Pressure remains high over China, and a shallow depression lies in central Japan. Pressure appears to be low also, in the Pacific to the E. of Luzon. Gradients moderate with fresh monsoon in the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—moderate N. winds; fine.

Chinese Rebels Executed.

News has been received from Haimên, a city near Taichow, by the local mandarins to the effect that Ying Wan-té and a younger brother, Ying Hsü, were summarily executed in Haimên City—not Taichow as elsewhere reported—at 6 o'clock on the morning of the 15th instant. There was it is further stated, a strong movement among the gentry and people of the whole of Taichow prefecture to get the Ying brothers reprieved, but owing to the peremptory order of Government Liu at Hanchow, the General commanding the troops which captured the prisoners, dared not disobey his orders to summarily decapitate them. It is feared that serious attempts will be made to avenge their deaths.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

'PLAZE, sir,' said an Irishman to a traveller, 'would yez be so obliaging as to take me greatcoat here to Boston wit yez?' 'Yes,' said the man in the waggon, 'but how will you get it again?' 'Oh, that's mighty aisy, you get it again?' 'for shure I'll remain inside av it.'

BANJOS, Mandolines, Strings &c., New Stock, American Folios and Music.—Robinson Piano Co.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS

'CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

FRIDAY'S MEETING OF THE BRITISH CABINET.

DECISION AGAIN POSTPONED.

THE SENTIMENT IN ENGLAND.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, September 30, 2.55 a.m.

Another meeting of the British Cabinet was held yesterday (the 29th instant) to consider the situation in regard to the South African Republic.

There is considerable difficulty in arriving at a decision, and the Cabinet adjourned without formulating any fresh despatch.

There is a steadily-growing sentiment in England in favour of peace.

The greatest danger exists on the frontiers of the Transvaal, where the Boers are massing their troops, and where hostilities may be precipitated by some imprudent act on either side.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 28th September, 1899.

THE TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

The Orange Free State Volksraad has unanimously instructed the Government to do its utmost to ensure peace, without sacrificing the honour and independence of the Republics. It declares war to be criminal, but that the Orange Free State must in any case faithfully fulfil its obligations to the Transvaal.

At a meeting of Ministerialists at Cape Town, it was resolved to petition the Queen, deprecating a war, and urging a joint enquiry into the Franchise question.

Mr Balfour, speaking at Dundee, said that the British Government had striven for a peaceful solution of the Transvaal question; and that, if it failed, the fault would rest with others. He had not abandoned all hope, but it seemed as though a point had been reached when the Transvaal refused to yield and Great Britain could not and would not give way. Her interests in South Africa, in civilization and her honour made that impossible.

P. S.—The correction to yesterday's Telegram does not in any way change the sense of the message as published.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, Sept. 29, 1899.

SIR,—The Sanitary Board has had a long period of trial; and has most ignominiously failed to control the plague, as it will ever fail under the present constitution. It is neither fish, flesh, fowl, nor good red herring. It is in a disorganised state.

Has not the time arrived when the Governor should fulfil the instruction he is supposed to have received anent the Sanitary Board and have it put upon a representative footing, so that when plague arrives next year the interests of the people who have had to pay the piper may be conserved and not be made subservient to red tape?—Yours,

SANITAS SANITATUM.

EXPLANATION BY MR F. H. MAY.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1899.

SIR,—With regard to what I am reported to have said respecting the Insanitary Properties Bill at the Meeting of the Sanitary Board held on the 28th instant, I find on enquiry that there is no foundation for the report which had reached me to the effect that some influence was being brought to bear to block this Bill, and that the Land Investment Co. wished to build certain houses before the Bill became law.

I have therefore to express my regret for the observations made by me.—Yours obediently,

F. H. MAY.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB

The following are the teams and list of fixtures for the 6-aside competition:—

Mr Looker (Capt.)	Mr Pinckney (Capt.)	
" Hinds	" E. H. Kew	
" Jenkins	" Seth	
" Wild	" Hornby	
" von Stockhausen	" Cox	
" Vernon, R.N.	" J. Grant Smith	
Mr G.T. Kew (Capt.)	Mr Greene R.A. (Capt.)	
" Hancock	" Tulloch, R.A.	
" H. K. Holmes	" Castle, R.A.	
" William	" Wilkinson, R.A.	
" Hance	" Jarris, R.A.	
" Kennett	" Warren, R.A.	
Mr Noble (Capt.)	Mr Mayson (Capt.)	
" Yule	" Greene	
" Johnston	" H. S. Holmes	
" Stockwell, R.W.F.	" E. E. Deacon	
" Loring, R.A.	" W. Humphreys	
" Wodehouse	" W. J. Brown	
	Mr Lowe (Capt.)	
	" Danby	
	" Mornell	
	" W. C. Barrett	
	" Pemberton	
	" Hall	

2nd Oct.	Mayson v. Lowe	Greene v. Kew
3rd "	—	Looker v. Pinckney
4th "	—	Noble v. Kew
5th "	—	Mayson v. Greene
6th "	—	Pinckney v. Kew
9th "	Looker v. Noble	Mayson v. Kew
10th "	Pinckney v. Lowe	
11th "	Looker v. Kew	Noble v. Mayson
12 h "	Greene v. Pinckney	
13th "	Lowe v. Kew	
16th "	Lookers, Mayson, Noble or Greene	
17th "	Greene v. Lowe	
18th "	Noble v. Pinckney	
19th "	Looker v. Greene	
20th "	Looker v. Lowe	
23rd "	Noble v. Lowe	
24th "	Pinckney v. Mayson	

CHUTNEY.

(Manufactured by the Firm of Irresponsible, Chalter and Co.)

It is a thousand pities that the authorities could not have seen their way clear to giving the Committee and members of the Victoria Recreation Club ample warning of their intention to turn them out of the premises they now occupy. Where they are to go in Hongkong seems a puzzle not easily solved, and a site in Kowloon would probably not meet their requirements. What is wanted is a central position such as they now occupy, and of such positions there is not one to be had. It is to be hoped some way out of the difficulty will be found, but at present it really appears as if this popular resort for the youth of the Colony were doomed to extinction, which everyone, we are sure, will regret.

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The Junior, who is a member of the St. Andrew's Society and sometimes comes out in broad Scotch, suddenly propounded the query yesterday, 'Wha's Flora Macdonald?' and the Senior and Gussy were unable to answer the question. The Senior opined that she might have been a very estimable lady in her time, whenever that was, but he really did not see why the St. Andrew's Society of Hongkong should be called upon to disburse its funds in aid of the movement to erect a statue of her. This seems to be the general opinion of the public too, nine-tenths of whom never met Flora Macdonald at any previous gathering in the Colony or elsewhere, even in the land of the strathspey and reel itself, and the Firm are confident that if the funds of the Society are to be diverted from their original purpose it would not be a bad idea to devote them towards either increasing the size of the present ballroom or building a new one somewhere, so that the ever-growing number of guests might be comfortably accommodated. It is doubtless very pleasant to be squeezed in amongst a lot of pretty women, and doubtless this kind of social torture has its sweets, but so has Scotch marmalade, yet everybody is not partial to that delicacy. Let Flora Macdonald go, and the wants of the present day be studied. That is our dictum.

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Why should an Assistant Medical Officer of Health be under thirty years of age? We had always been of the opinion that *experientia docet*, but that apparently is not the opinion of the Hongkong Sanitary Board. The recent proposal to appoint an Assistant Medical Officer of Health emphasizes this fact. What does it matter if we get an octogonarian so long as he is well up in hygiene and sanitary science, and in short, knows all about the best methods of preserving the health of the community? That is the sort of man we want and what we ought to get.

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The *London Daily Telegraph* has been recently publishing a long series of letters from various persons, celebrated and otherwise, on the subject of whether appearances are worth keeping up. It is fortunate for us who live in Hongkong that appearances do not count for much, especially in the summer time, when the straight white jacket and unimpeachable white pith helmet level all distinctions. In the East and the Far East it is only Governors and members of Council who indulge in the tropical eccentricity of frock coats and tall hats, some of the latter, as in the case of our recent Governor, becoming actual local landmarks, so to speak. If one had to keep up appearances in Hongkong, that is of the broadcloth and tweed type, some of us would have to go to the wall, and that pretty soon. So long as a man goes about respectably dressed in the local acceptation of that term, his solar topee is allowed to cover a multitude of sins, and forever so may it be.

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A proposal is on hand in England to in some way alter the conditions of the wicket at cricket so as to render the full scoring of the recent season an absolute impossibility, and the reduce the large number of drawn matches. This may be all very well from one point of view, but that is not the spectator's. The thousands of people who go to Lords or the Oval or Trent Bridge to see their favourite counties play the national game do not go to see them bowled down like nine-pins. They go to see the batting and fielding, and bowling is to them a matter of purely secondary consideration, and of no interest except to the man who happens to be placed out on to the chief and can so watch the break and pitch. The general idea seems to be to heighten the stumps. We are of opinion, however, that they had best be let alone, and in the case of test matches at any rate the games be played to a finish. This would surely be easy of arrangement.

The Firm is in receipt of the following letter:—

Please, Mr Editor, I am Gussie's younger brother, and although he will keep on saying that I am only a kid, I have my own opinions, and if you will put them in your paper on Saturday I shall be sure to buy a copy for 10 cts. and show it to Alice after I come out of the choir on Sunday. (Alice is the prettiest girl of the lot, and is my sweetheart though Gussie does not know yet.)

Well now, Mr Editor, I have been thinking over what's going on here in this Colony, and it seems to me that the show is suffering from growing pains, same as I did. The Colony has been whipped, scolded, petted, and coddled hard sometimes, just the same as I was. It is still thought to be a kid, same as I am by Gussie, but sure pop, Mr Editor, the Colony aint a kid no more than I am, and even if we are kids, that is the Colony and me, we do see things that rocky grown-ups don't see, and this is what I want to write to you about. It seems to me that the Governor and his Council are actually and morally responsible for the health and well being of all the folks here—British, Chinese or foreign, and the way the plague hangs on shows there is neglect of duty somewhere. I have been reading Dr Clark's speech at Thursday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, and that is an improvement of somebody, Gussie might lick me for it if I said what I thought, but there that speech is a licking or no licking. Not long ago I was reading the history of English history I mean, that

is the only one an English boy cares abo t, and a chap named John Hampden p'oposed, and saw to it, that he would pay no taxes until he was sure that the taxes would be properly used, and in my parliamentary history I remember the maxim is that 'Redress precedes supply.' There does not happen to be a descendant of John Hampden living here, but there may be some grown-up Johnnies who have enough of the spirit of him to form a Ratepayers' Association, and to see to it that money's worth is given for money, or the money stops. Oh lordy, ju-t fancy what a funk Joey would be in if a telegram went from H.E., G. C. M. G., Gov. of Hongkong and its dependencies, to the effect that 'British section of Community refuse to pay taxes until reforms demanded for 25 years are granted.'

I do believe, Mr Editor, that Joey would leave the rest of the British Empire to sit down on the Boers and tell the H. K. Volunteers to mind their own business, to stop here, and help to arrest the ringleaders for inciting pe ple not to pay taxes and put 'em in Paddy May's hotel. What a splendid lark! I should be there to see, you bet, those potent, grave and reverend seignors being put into quod—Honourables, C. M. G.'s and things. It would be lovely; but I am afeared that they haven't got the spunk in 'em to do the job as it should be done. Now when I was at school we knew that if we had a just grievance and hung together even the headmaster would li ten—and did. So I think Joey, the headmaster of the Colony, would listen if the right message went.

It is not necessary to say what are the grievances, but most of them seem to be the result of *pandering to vested interests without regard to the commonwealth*. (That's cribbed, but its all right.)

Of course, Mr Editor, these are the only ideas of Gussie's young brother, and do please put 'em in, and don't tell him before, or I shall get a licking without any gratification, and Alice will be pleased.—Yours truly,

THE KID,

Young brother of Gussie, the Goaf.

P.S.—Please put in stops and look after spelling.

THE PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

AMERICAN SHIPS IN ACTION AT SUBIC BAY.

Manila, September 25.

The *Monterey*, *Concord* and *Zafiro*, with the marines from the *Baltimore*, left Cavite last Monday and met the *Charleston* and proceeded to Subic Bay, where the *Charleston* had been fired upon by rebel forces as previously reported in this paper. When the vessels arrived at Subic Bay they encountered bad weather for several days, by reason of the typhoons which have been passing near the Philippines, consequently an attack had to be postponed until the weather became sufficiently favourable for landing forces.

Subic Bay is a large inlet, land locked on all sides but the South, and containing two or three small Islands. On the East shore is the town of Olongapo, where the Spanish Government made a small beginning in the way of constructing docks and fortifications. There was one big gun; and the rebels had as usual, done a large amount of digging and made themselves a tremendous lot of trenches. If the Filipinos would exert themselves as much over honest work as they do over useless construction of untenable trenches, they would soon get rich by their own energies.

The delay of four days, owing to bad weather, gave the rebels ample warning what to expect, and with impudence born of ignorance, they proceeded to fill their trenches with soldiers; great streams of reinforcements were seen coming down from up country to fill the rebel trenches and scare the Americans.

On Saturday morning, the weather being quite satisfactory, the *Monterey* moved in and saluted the town; the *Charleston* and *Concord* kept up close and the *Zafiro* enfiladed the trenches with her machine guns. The first shot was fired from the *Monterey* about 7.30 a.m., the range being found with the minor batteries and the main battery opening up shortly afterwards. After about ten minutes the rebels got their one big gun going, the first Filipino shot went near the *Monterey's* smokestack, the second went wide and after that they were not noticed to fire any more with their big gun. This was not surprising, for the American ships were concentrating their fire right on the rebel fort, and most likely made it a very unpleasant place to stay in. To all appearances the rebels must have withdrawn from their fort and stood their ground in their intrenched positions a little way back.

At 10.15 a.m. the warships sent boatloads of men ashore, numbering in all 250. They landed about 1,000 yards east of the main rebel fort in the midst of a furious fusilade from the Mauser rifles from the enemy. The *Charleston* men were the first to get ashore, closely followed by the men from the *Concord*, who were the first to get into the fort where the big gun was. It was found to be a 16-centimetre Krupp and had apparently been taken off a warship. We believe it was placed there by the Spaniards before Admiral Dewey's visit to Manila in May last year.

The ships poured perfect steamers of shrapnel into the rebel lines just back of the forts and along shore to the eastward and westward, while the landing party occupied the first Filipino trenches and peppered the enemy from there.

Gunner Olsen proceeded to dispose of the captured gun by exploding three charges of gun cotton, 50 pounds in all. He blew off about 6 feet of the muzzle of the gun with the first charge; with the second charge he broke up the breech section, and with the third he split open the middle part of the gun, making a pretty complete wreck of the whole thing. Prior to the destruction of the gun it was carefully examined and was found to have been struck several times by American shells, while the casemate and immediate vicinity showed that the American fire had rendered the position absolutely untenable.

This work completed, the Marines and Bluejackets were recalled. They embarked in perfect order by squads, protecting each other from the still active rebels' fire. The *Concord* men were the last to leave the shore about 12.30.

It should be mentioned that the steam cutter of the *Concord*, armed with a Galling gun, under command of Cadet Brinser, was sent along to the left of the line and did excellent crossfire work. One man in the launch was hit in both legs and in the arm by a Mauser bullet.

Captain Myers, of the marines, captured a muzzle loading field gun in the rebel trenches.

The landing forces were under the immediate command of Lieut. McDonald, and every movement was exceedingly well executed.

The town of Olongapo was completely riddled and wrecked; several portions of the town were also set on fire by exploding shells.

The *Monterey* in the course of action kept up fire for four hours. She fired her 10 inch gun 21 times, and her 12 inch gun 17 times while her secondary batteries were constantly at work. The other ships did about the same.

No dead bodies of Filipinos were found anywhere.—*Manila Times.*

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The sixteenth ordinary general meeting of the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., was held to-day at the offices of the Company. Mr J. H. Lewis presided. The other gentlemen present were:—Hon. J. J. Keswick, Messrs C. A. Tomes, C. H. Thompson and E. Shellim (Consulting Committee); W. Parfitt (Secretary); D Gillies, T. Arnold, W. S. Bailey, C. Mooney, T. Yule, A. G. Morris, R. Mitchell, E. S. Whealler, A. A. H. Babington, J. H. Cox, T. H. Reid, G. L. Tomlin, J. Orange, W. H. Gaskell, J. C. Peter, J. E. Gomes, Capt. Roach, M. Mahomed, Chun Tong, J. M. Gomes, Capt. J. Douglas, R. T. Hend, H. Haynes, F. Jorge, W. Davis, etc.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the Report and Accounts have been in your hands for some days. I propose with your permission to take them as read. As stated in the report, it was only after most thoroughly considering the position that the General Managers and Consulting Committee decided it would be inadvisable to recommend the payment of a dividend, and whilst fully appreciating the disappointment of shareholders, are quite convinced that under the present circumstances, the best interests of the Company are being considered in the proposed appropriation of the profits for the year. With reference to the opposition on the Tamsui line, I think, gentlemen, you will readily understand there are many important features in connection with it, which it would be imprudent to publicly mention and discuss, as we should be giving valuable information to our opponents, they could not fail to profit by, of course to our prejudice. This opposition still keenly continues, but our opponents have discovered that even with their alleged advantages, they cannot run us out of the trade of which we are the pioneers, and to meet the development of which we have from time to time built steamers of a special class at great expense, and the General Managers and Consulting Committee are quite agreed that the policy pursued will eventually result to the benefit of our Company. With reference to the accident to the 'Haiching' I should mention that under the terms of the contract we are legally advised there is no claim against the builders, and the actual cost of the repairs is far too small to admit of a claim under our Insurance Policies; the long delay in completing the voyage after the accident added considerably to the cost of the steamer. As indicated in my remarks to you last year there has been a steady increase in the Coast trade generally, but the demand for tonnage for Rice, &c, to Tamsui, referred to in the reports was quite exceptional, practically the result of short crops in Tamsui, not likely to occur to such an extent again. In conclusion I may state there is fortunately every hope of a decline in the price of Coal, a very important item in our working accounts. Before moving the adoption of the Report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions.

Mr Morris—Mr Chairman, you made no reference there to the letter that I put in from a number of shareholders asking you to consider the payment of a dividend of $3 per share and writing a balance off depreciation account. I think that that was worthy of some consideration. We do not ask you for a dividend from the reserve fund; we simply ask you for a dividend from the profits. We have a very good reserve fund of $197,000 to meet every possible demand that can be made upon the company, and there are many poor families here dependent upon this Company for the dividends for their livelihoods. I certainly should be very glad if I could receive proper support in this matter. I think it is worthy of consideration. As to the opposition you refer to, we have seen the dire results of opposition in another company here, which after running five years losing a tremendous amount of money for the shareholders resulted in the end in their making greater concessions than they would have had to do in the first instance. However, I do not wish to refer to that. I am chiefly here to induce you to give us a $3 dividend. I think we can well afford to do it. The Company is in a good position. You state here (reading from the report) that 'the steamers are maintained in their usual efficiency.' You have written your steamers down to a comparatively low estimate, and taking it on the whole our position is a very sound one indeed, and there is not anything to prevent your giving us a $3 dividend. I shall be very glad to put it to the meeting as a proposition, if I can receive any support from the shareholders. My requisition which came in the other day—(The Chairman—Yesterday)—was signed by 3,141 shareholders. I did not bother you to come and look up the list of shareholders. Had I done so, I should probably have got a good many more to subscribe. My time is very valuable or I might have done so, but perhaps in future I may have to do so. Shall I put it in the form of a resolution?

The Chairman—If you like, Mr Morris.

Mr Morris—I shall be very happy to propose that the Company pay a dividend of $3 out of the profits, and the balance be carried to appreciation fund. Will any gentleman second that?

The Chairman—Before you put it, I would like to reply to the remark that your requisition has not received proper attention. As you are aware, your requisition came in after twelve o'clock, and it was mail day. It was circulated among the members of the Consulting Committee, and they quite agreed with me that it was inexpedient to accede to your request. We did not arrive at the conclusion not to recommend a dividend until we had taken the whole position from every point of view into consideration. With regard to the opposition line, they came with the intention of sweeping us out of the line altogether. However, I think you will agree with me we will simply be jeopardising our own position if we discuss that matter publicly. If you like to put it as an amendment it is open to you, but at the same time I may say we have a commanding influence over the boats.

Mr Morris—With reference to your statement that the requisition did not reach you until after twelve o'clock, it did not reach your hands until about half-past two, but you were aware of the fact of the requisition because you were canvassing yourself.

The Chairman—I beg your pardon.

Mr Morris—I have it on good authority that you were canvassing and you visited several of the gentlemen whom I approached.

The Chairman said the matter was not sprung upon him.

Mr Morris—You knew perfectly well it was being discussed. If the matter was considered it seems strange to me that I should get your reply slightly after four, and I know my letter reached you slightly after two. You had already considered the probability of my putting in such a thing.

The Chairman—Will you put it as an amendment?

Mr Morris—I shall put it as an amendment. I propose that a dividend of $3 per share shall be given, and that——

The Chairman—I think you are quite wrong. My proposal should come first and your proposal afterwards.

Mr Cox explained that the Chairman's resolution should be seconded first.

The Chairman—I beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted.

Mr Morris—I once again propose that a dividend of $3 a share be given, and that a balance

Mr Gillies—I have pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Mr Morris—Once again I propose that a dividend of $3 per share be given to shareholders, which will absorb $60,000, and the balance shall be carried to the depreciation fund.

Mr Arnold—I have no objection to second the proposal. It seems to me the only valid excuse for the non-payment of the dividend would be that the money has been lost between 30th June and present date. If you can assure us of the fact that the money is still intact, then I will second Mr Morris' proposal.

The Chairman—I am not a prophet.

The amendment and the motion were put to the meeting.

Five voted for the amendment, the remainder voting for the motion, which was carried.

The Chairman—(addressing Mr Morris)—I quite appreciate the feeling with which you proposed the amendment, and I am sorry that it is not in our way to comply with it. You must remember that we also are shareholders.

Mr Morris—I did not forget that fact.

Mr Whealler—I beg to propose that Messrs C. H. Thompson, C. A. Tomes, E. Shellim and Hon. J. J. Keswick be re-elected to the Consulting Committee.

Mr Morris—Before putting that proposition, I would like to make a few remarks. As you attach so much importance to this opposition, I wish to propose as an amendment that our Consulting Committee shall be constituted into a Board of Directors. They would represent our interests far greater and far better were they in such a position.

The Chairman—You will have to alter the Articles of Association.

Mr Morris—These can be altered.

The Chairman—I do not propose to alter them. This is outside the business of the meeting, and I call you to order.

Mr Morris—If you rule that it is to be so, I shall take other means to arrange it. I want you distinctly to understand that it is not that I am against any of the members of the Board, but I only wish to strengthen your position.

Captain Clarke seconded the resolution.

Carried, Mr Morris voting against it.

Mr Bailey proposed the re-election of Messrs Cox and Gaskell as auditors.

Mr Jorge seconded.

Carried.

The Chairman—That concludes the business of the meeting, gentlemen. I trust at the next meeting we shall have a much more favourable report to put before you.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(*Times of Ceylon*)

The Indian Bill Tenders.

London, September 15.—The applications for two millions sterling of India Bills amount to £6,560,000. One million, repayable in twelve months, have been allotted. Tenders for the six months' bills at £98 4s. 1d. receive seven per cent; and tenders for the twelve months' bill at £96 14s. 7½d. receive 70 per cent; and above in full. The average for the six months' bills is £3 9s. 9d.; and for the twelve months £3 4s. 2d.

Dreyfusiana.

London, Sept 13.—M. Zola, in a manifesto in *L'Aurore*, prophesies a thunderclap abroad.

The irritation in Germany is growing, as as it is realized that the Kaiser, in making a definite denial of German relations with Captain Dreyfus made an overture unprecedented in the history of diplomacy.

It transpires that the French Government obtained the Italian cypher and tapped the Italian Ambassador's confidential telegrams. These revealed that, on the eve of the Foreign Minister's denial in the Chamber of Deputies at Rome, the latter telegraphed Count Forinelle 'Shall I proceed?' The Count replied pledging his personal honour for the truth of the denial. Therefore the French action practically gives him the lie direct, preceded by the insult of eavesdropping.

Add to this the mutilation of the Austrian *Attache's* letter and disbelief of his word; and no wonder the diplomatic outlook is ominous.

The Jews are making the Day of Atonement, to-morrow the occasion for universal supplication; and public prayers have been offered in many churches for Dreyfus.

A monster meeting in his behalf is being organised in Hyde Park, with 24 platforms.

Three Englishmen had vitriol thrown at them at Boulogne yesterday.

It has been suggested, but it is unlikely, that the British Association assembled at Dover may drop the mutual programme arranged with the French Science Congress at Boulogne.

The Transvaal.

Simla, Sept. 13.—Captain Wyndham, 16th Lancers, becomes Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, South Africa, and proceeds immediately to Durban.

Simla, Sept. 14.—Colonel Wolf Murray, head of the Intelligence Branch, Simla, has been ordered to South Africa to command the line of communications.

London, September 15.—The Transvaal Volksraad sat in secret session all yesterday, considering the reply to be given to Mr Chamberlain's last despatch. The discussion is closed, and the Executive will draft a final reply to-day.

The situation is not regarded as so favourable as it was yesterday forenoon.

Calcutta, Sept. 16th.—The transport *Purnea*, with the King's Royal Rifles on board, will sail on the 18th inst.; the *Nurani*, with two Companies of Infantry and mules, on the 19th; and the *Henzada*, with an Ordnance park and the British Field Hospital, on the 20th. The *India*, with the Gloucesters, leaves on the 25th.

Five hundred mules have arrived, and are camped out near Hastings.

Amongst the stores carried by the *Henzada*, will be thirty-three tons of Lee-Metford ammunition, or considerably over a million rounds.

General Wodehouse paid a visit to the Dockyard yesterday, and expressed himself pleased with the vigour of the work being carried forward. The Lieut.-Governor also visited the docks with General Wodehouse.

It is stated that the Maharaja of Kuch Behar has offered his services on the personal staff of Sir Redvers Buller, and also that Lord Curzon is backing the application.

Plague near Delagoa Bay.

London, September 15.—The Hon. Mr William P. Schreiner, the Prime Minister and Colonial Secretary, announced in the Cape Assembly yesterday, that forty-two fatal cases of Plague had occurred at Maguda, near Delagoa Bay.

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG CLUB.

STEWARD WANTED.

APPLICATIONS in writing for the position of STEWARD to the HONGKONG CLUB will be received by the Undersigned.

By Order,

C. H. GRACE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1899. 2179

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

MR. J. D. M. CAMERON has Resigned the position of STEWARD and is no longer in the Service of the CLUB.

By Order,

C H. GRACE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1899. 2180

BREAD.

CLEANLY BAKED BREAD SHOULD BE KEPT CLEAN.

H. RUTTONJEE has the honour to announce that he has made arrangements to supply Peak residents with Bread in tins (the tins to be exchanged each day), so that from the time it leaves the bakery till it reaches the consumer it will be free from contact with the hands or clothes or other means of defilement.

Mr. Ruttonjee will be glad to send samples of his Bread free to intending customers.

13 and 15, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong, and 21 and 22, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2168

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.

Having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship BISAGNO, Captain MANGAZINI, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd October, at Noon.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2171

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAITAN, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 3rd Oct., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2170

HONGKONG AND MANILA REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship LEGAZPI, Captain A. YRIBAR, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 3rd October, at Noon.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

LIZARRAGA HERMANOS, *Agents,* *No. 6, Beaconsfield Arcade.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2176

FOR MANILA.

(*Taking Cargo at through rates for* ILOILO).

THE Steamer SALVADORA, Captain GOITISOLO, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 4th Oct., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BRANDAO & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1899. 2173

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG, Captain P. H. ROLFE, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 4th Oct., at 4 p.m.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2167

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. S. S. *Andalusia*, Captain SCHOENFELDT, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the GODOWNS OF THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, and Stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining, undelivered after the 7th Oct. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th Oct., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2172

To-day's Advertisements

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IT is hereby Notified that the HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS will fire from 7-pounders R.M.L. and MACHINE GUNS from the road below North Point Battery in a Northerly direction over a sea Range from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, the 7th October.

All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the Range.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, *Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1899. 2177

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CALL of $1.00 per SHARE on B SHARES Numbered:—

15051-15100	33864-33913	53296-53301
20041-20050	37367-37376	53544-53547
20371-20420	37427-37481	54757
21096-21105	37895-37944	54768-54770
22848-22897	38938-38941	54801-54814
23003-23062	38985-39034	55074-55080
23493-23512	40293-40392	55835 55934
25557-25606	42884-43183	57301-57400
26494-26543	45732-45831	57501-57600
26844-26893	50018-50031	57851-57950
29029-29057	50394 50403	58441 58482
30272 30471	52006-52012	59183-59382
33362-33461	53129-53153	59783 59882
34019-34068	53279-53289	59983-60000
35004-35703		

must be PAID to the Undersigned at the OFFICE of the Company, 38, and 40 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 6th day of October, 1899, and Notice is also given that in the event of NON-PAYMENT of such CALL at the Office of the Company aforesaid on or before the said 6th day of October, 1899, the above-mentioned SHARES will be Liable to be FORFEITED.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, *General Managers.*

Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1899. 2107

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, (*For Account of the Concerned*), on

TUESDAY,

the 3rd October, 1899, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, Ice House Street,—

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD AND STORE'S FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS, SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS, SPRING MATTRESSES, SHOW CASES, COAL SCUTTLES, CARPETS, PIANO, IRON SAFES (by Philips and Sons, Birmingham), RICKSHAS, COPYING PRESS, &c., &c.

Also,

50 CASKS TENNENTS' BEER and STOUT, COFFEE, TOBACCO, CALIFORNIA CLARET, CEMENT, TARPAULIN CANVAS, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, *Auctioneers.*

Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1899. 2122

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, (*For Account of the Concerned*), on

WEDNESDAY,

the 4th October, at 11 A.M., at HUGHES & HOUGH'S GODOWN No 7, and TAI WO'S GODOWN No. 43, Wanchai,—

ABOUT 700 TONS CARDIFF COAL, (More or less) Damaged by Fire,

TERMS:—As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, *Auctioneers.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2178

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

THURSDAY,

the 5th October, 1899, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Room, Duddell Street,—

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITES and EASY CHAIRS, BEVELLED OVERMANTELS, TEAK WHATNOTS, TEA TABLES, VASES, ORNAMENTS, CANTON BLACKWOOD WRITING DESKS, TEA-POYS, STOOLS and EASELS, WHITE LACE CURTAINS, &c., &c.

TEAK SIDEBOARD, EXTENSION DINING TABLES, DINING CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, CHIFFONNIERS, WRITING TABLES and DESKS, CUTLERY, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, &c.

BRASS-MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEAD, CARVED TEAK WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS, TEAK BUREAU with MIRROR, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET CROCKERY, RUGS and CARPETS, &c., &c.

Several New and Second-hand BICYCLES (Lady's and Gents).

On view from *Wednesday*, the 4th Oct.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, *Auctioneer.*

Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2174

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

September 29.

Undaunted, British cruiser, 6,500, A. C. Clarke, Kobe September 24.

Robert Dickenson, British steamer, 1,331, Macdonnell, Singapore Sept. 21, Kerosine.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

St. James, American barque, 1,453, R. M. Tapley, Manila Sept. 13, Ballast.—ORDER.

Andalusia, German str., 7,000, Schonefeldt, Hamburg and Singapore Sept. 23, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Kwang Ping, Chinese str., from Canton.

September 30.

Monmouthshire, British str., 2,874, W. A. Evans, Portland, Or. (U.S.A.) Sept. 1, General.—DODWELL & Co., LD.

Meefoo, Chinese str., 1,339, Frigast, Shanghai September 27, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Doric, British steamer, 4,674, H. Smith, R.N.R., San Francisco Sept. 2, Honolulu 9, Yokohama 22, Kobe 23, Nagasaki 25, and Shanghai 28, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

Haitan, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, Foochow, via Amoy and Swatow Sept. 29, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Amara, British steamer, 1,566, C. J. Mattock, Samarang Sept. 20, Sugar.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Maidzuru Maru, Japanese steamer, 667, T. Ogita, Amoy and Swatow Sept. 29, General.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Yuensang, British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., Manila Sept. 27, Hemp and Tobacco.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

DEPARTURES.

September 30.

Valetta, for Shanghai.
Parramatta, for Europe, &c.
Haliotis, for Yokohama.
Holstein, for Saigon.
Telemachus, for Amoy.
Zweena, for Saigon.
Meefoo, for Canton.
Nanyang, for Swatow.
Kuchidate Maru, for Moji.
Kaifong, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Hutton Hall, for Astoria.
Kwang Ping, for Chefoo.
Robert Dickinson, for Nagasaki.
Ariake Maru, for Misumi.
Andalusia, for Shanghai.
Chingwo, for Singapore and London.
Formosa, for Swatow.
Arratoon Apcar, for Singapore.
Maidzuru Maru, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *St. James*, from Manila, Mr W. H. Mitchell.

Per *Monmouthshire*, from Portland, Or., Mrs T. Skinner and child, Miss Wingate, Mr T. Larkin, and 18 Chinese.

Per *Meefoo*, from Shanghai, 23 Chinese.

Per *Doric*, from San Francisco, &c., Mr H. G. Miller, Mrs E. C. Miller, Mr and Mrs D. Muir, Messrs R. de Solis, A. A. Montague, C. V. Ladds, Mrs S. P. Mobley, Mrs T. R. Rivers, Mr M. Watson, Mr H. B. Kendrick, Miss McIntyne, Mr E. D. Matts, Mr A. Post, Capt. Rowan, Mr T. H. Harris, Mr N. O. Byers, Mrs Geo. T. Bowman, Mr A. W. Brewin, Mrs I. M. L. Truitt, Mr H. Price, Mr A. H. Skelton, Miss H. Lowers, Mr W. M. Thornton, Mr C. H. Crocker, Mrs A. Post, Mr Y. Matsuda, Mrs F. H. Eldridge, and Captain F. Kofod.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Messrs G. H. Wheeler, Wong Shin Tong, Tsai Meng Tsai, Chow, 3 Europeans and 219 Chinese.

Per *Yuensang*, from Manila, Mr and Mrs Davies, Mr José Lobo, E. Jorde, Mrs R. Veinberg, Mr J. Ramos, Senor Conception and 4 companions, Messrs F. Rodriguez, A. H. Blencker, and John May, Miss R. Tollander, Messrs R. Humphreys, F. B. Jones, W. Dunlop, J. B. Belgira, Angel Rosal, Mr and Mrs P. Zonentio, and 113 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer *Meefoo* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon and high sea, moderating to light wind to port.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports: Foochow to Amoy, fresh N.N.E. to E.N.E'ly breeze, considerable sea, cloudy and clear; Amoy to Swatow, fresh N.E'y to light N.N.E'ly breeze, heavy sea, overcast, frequent light rain; Swatow to port, light W'ly to fresh N.N.W'ly breeze, moderate sea, cloudy and clear. In Foochow: Str. *Haeshin*, and H.M.S. *Waterwitch*. Strs. in Swatow: *Chousang*, *Yingching*, and *Tryon*.

The British steamer *Yuensang* reports: Fine and clear, smooth sea, light breeze, variable heavy N'ly swell to noon of the 29th Sept.; from thence moderate to fresh N.N.E'ly breeze, rough sea, with passing clouds. Sept. 28th, passed s.s. *Sungkiang*, bound to Manila.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For CANTON.—
Per *Paoan*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 1st October.

For CHEFOO & TIENTSIN.—
Per *Kwangping*, at 9 a.m., on Monday, the 2nd October.

For SHANGHAI & KOBE.—
Per *Tsinan*, at 11 a.m., on Monday, the 2nd October.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Catherine Apcar*, at 2 p.m., on Monday, the 2nd October.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.—
Per *Bisagno*, at 2 p.m., on Monday, the 2nd October.

For MANILA.—
Per *Legazpi*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 3rd October.
Per *Yuensang*, at 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 4th October.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Haitan*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 2nd October.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Australian Ports	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 3.
Australian Ports	Airlie (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Oct. 2, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Sachsen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Oct. 11, at 9 a.m.
Havre and Hamburg	Savoia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Oct. 12.
Havre and Hamburg	Heidelberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About Nov. 5.
Havre and Hamburg	Andalusia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About Nov. 15.
Havre and Hamburg	Sibiria (s)	Carlowitz & Co	About Nov. 20.
Havre and Hamburg	Bamberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About Nov. 30.
London & Ports of Call	Coromandel (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 14, at noon.
London v Suez Canal	Sarpedon (s)	Butterfield and Swire	October 5.
London v. Suez Canal	Calchas (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 17.
London v. Suez Canal	Orestes (s)	Butterfield and Swire	October 31.
London	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Nov. 2.
Manila	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 3.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine Matheson & Co.	Oct. 4, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Nanyang (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Oct. 4, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Salvadora (s)	Brandao & Co.	Oct. 4, at noon.
Manila	Legazpi (s)	Lizarraga Hermanos	Oct. 3, at noon.
Marseilles v. Saigon	Salazie (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Oct. 7, at Noon.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Sado Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Oct. 6, at noon.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Tamba Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Oct. 21, at noon.
N'saki, Kobe & Y'ma.	Rohilla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 1, daylight.
New York v. Suez Canal	Argyll (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd	Quick despatch.
New York v. Suez Canal	Ping-Suey (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	October 7.
New York	Challenger	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Quick despatch.
Philadelphia & N. York	St. Mark	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Quick despatch.
Portland, Oregon	Monmouthshire (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	Oct 7, at noon.
San Diego v. Japan	Thyra (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 15.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Doric (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Oct 10, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co	Oct. 3, at Noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Nippon Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Oct. 19, at noon.
Shanghai	Chusan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About October 13.
Shanghai	Tientsin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About October 5.
Shanghai and Kobe	Tainan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 2.
S'hai, N'ki, K'be & Y'ma	Shanghai (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Oct. 6.
S'pore, C'ombo & B'bay	Hiroshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Oct. 3, at noon.
S'pore, P'nang & C'tta	Catherine Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Oct. 2, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, P'ang & B'bay	Bisagno (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Oct. 2, at noon.
S'tow, Amoy, & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Oct. 3, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy & T'sui	Formosa (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Oct. 1, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy & T'sui	Maidzuru Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	Oct. 1, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	City of Dublin (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	Oct. 14, at noon.
Tientsin	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 5.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Oct. 25, at noon.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD:—*Vortigern*, August 18; *Afghanistan*, *Andria*, 22; *Sindh*, *Vladimir*, 25; *St. Mary*, *Odessa*, 29; *Algoa*, *Oanba*, *Yangtsze*, Sept. 1; *Shanghai*, *Socotra*, *Puritan*, *Miles*, 8; *Sydney*, 12; *Diomed*, *Sanuki Maru*, *Siberia*, 16; *Monmouthshire* (? *Breconshire*), *Lady Jocelyn*, 19; *Benvoirlich*, *Malacca*, 22; *Bayern*, *Energia*, *Adria*, *Anapa*, *Bamberg*, *Ellen Rickmers*, *Voroneg*, 26.

HOMEWARD:—*Afridi*, August 18; *Patroclus*, 29; *Kamakura Maru*, Sept. 1; *Diomed*, *Glengyle*, *Prinz Heinrich*, *Yarra*, 8; *Spithead*, 16; *Manila*, *Oceanien*, *Bombay*, *Tosa Maru*, 19; *Pardanus*, 22; *Antenor*, *D. Balduino*, 26.

Steamers Expected.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Tientsin* left Singapore for this port on the 26th Sept., at 3 p.m.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Changsha* left Sydney on 21st Sept.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Chingtu* sailed Southward, from Port Darwin, on 19th Sept.

The H. A. L. steamer *Andalusia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd Sept., and may be expected here on or about the 29th Sept.

The C. M. Co.'s str *Oanfa*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on Wednesday afternoon, the 27th Sept., and may be expected here on or about the 1st Oct.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on Thursday morning, the 28th Sept., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd Oct.

The s. s. *Glenshiel*, from Middlesbro' and London, left Singapore on the 28th Sept., and is due here on the 4th Oct.

The s.s. *Chelydra*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 26th Sept.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Tsinan*, from Australian Ports, arrived at Manila on the 27th Sept., and left that port for Hongkong on the 28th Sept.

The B. L. steamer *Benlarig*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the morning of 27th Sept., for this port.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Hiroshima Maru* left Shimonoseki for this port on the 26th Sept., and is expected to arrive here on the 1st Oct.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Yado Maru* left Kobe, via Moji for this port, on the 28th Sept., and is expected to arrive here on the 4th Oct.

The s.s. *Maloya* left Mororan on Tuesday, the 26th Sept., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 3rd Oct.

The C. & O. S. S. Co's steamer *Thyra*, from San Diego, left Yokohama on the 21st Sept. for Kobe, Nagasaki and Hongkong.

The C. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Carmarthenshire* arrived at San Diego on 14th Sept.

Latest Advices.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki on Friday, the 29th Sept., at 8 a.m., and left again at 6 p.m. of same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive on Sunday, the 1st Oct., at 10 a.m.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Hector*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 29th Sept., and may be expected to arrive here on Oct. 4th.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, September 30, 1899.

On London—	
Bank, Wire,	1/11¾
„ On demand,	1/11¾
„ 30 days' sight,	1/11⅞
„ 4 months' sight,	1/11⅞
Credits, 4 „	1/11½
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	1/11⅝
On Paris—	
On demand,	2.45
Credits, 4 months' sight,	2.49½
On Berlin—Demand,	1 98
On New York—	
On demand,	47⅞
Credits, 60 days' sight,	48¾
On Bombay—	
Wire,	143½
On demand,	144
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	143½
On demand,	144
On Singapore—	
On demand,	1% pm.
On Manila—	
On demand,	2½% pm.
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	72⅞
30 days' sight, (private paper)	73⅜
On Yokohama—	
On demand,	5% pm.
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$53.00
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$10.01
Silver (per oz.)	27d.

THE LIMBURGER CHEESE IN CHURCH.

It is now two years since we reproduced the following amusing skit. It has been round the world since then. We have met it in many exchanges. As it may be new to some of our readers we risk its reproduction once more:—Ma sent me to pay a bill at the grocer's last Saturday. The boss behind the counter made me a present of something wrapped in a piece of silver paper, which he told me was a piece of limburger cheese. When I got outside the shop I opened the paper, and when I smelled what was inside I felt tired. I took it home and put it in the coal shed. In the morning I went to it again. It was still there. Nobody had taken it. I wondered what I could do with it. Father and mother were getting ready to go to church. I put a piece in the back pocket of Father's pants, and another piece in the lining of ma's muff, and I walked behind when we started for church. It was beginning to get warm. When we got in church father looked anxious, and mother looked as if something had happened.

After the first hymn mother told father not to sing again, but to keep his mouth shut and breathe through his nose. After the prayer perspiration stood on father's face, and the people in the next pew to ours got up and went out. After the next hymn father whispered to mother that he thought she had better go out and get some fresh air. After the second lesson one of the churchwardens came round to see if there were any stray rats in the church.

Some more people near our pew got up and went out, putting their handkerchiefs to their noses as they went. The parson said they had better close the service and hold meeting outside to discuss the sanitary condition of the church. Father told mother they had better go home one at a time. Mother told father to go the nearest way home and disinfect himself before she came.

When they got home they both went into the front room, but did not speak for some time. Mother spoke first, and told father to put the cat out of the room, as she thought it was going to be sick. It was sick before father could get it out. Mother then turned round, and noticed that the canary was dead. Mother told father not to sit so near the fire, as it made matters worse. Father told mother to go and smother herself. Mother said she thought she was smothered already. Just then the servant came in, and asked if she should open the windows, as the room felt very close.

Father went upstairs and changed his clothes and had a hot bath. Mother took father's clothes and offered them to a tramp, who said, "Thanks, kind lady, they are a bit too high for me." Mother threw them over the back fence into the canal. Father was summoned afterwards for poisoning the fish. Mother went to bed. Father asked her if she had been fumigated.

Just then father had a note sent him. Father came to wish me good-night at 10 o'clock in the evening, with a note in one hand, a razor-strop in the other. I got under the bed. The people next door thought we were beating carpets in the house. I cannot sit down comfortably yet. I have given my little sister what I had left of the limburger cheese. I thought it a pity to waste it.—*Grocery World.*

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their Weekly Share Report dated Hongkong, 29th September, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts report:—

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks declined to 345 per cent. premium sales, but are again a shade firmer, and have been sold at 346 per cent. premium. Nationals are in demand at $20½.

Marine Insurances.—Unions are firm with buyers at $260. China Traders have been sold at $65, and are now obtainable at $64½. Yangtszes and Cantons are offering at $125 and $147½ respectively.

Fire Insurances.—Both Hongkong and China Fires are quiet at quotations.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats: a forced sale at $29¼ is reported, but the market closes firm with sales and buyers at $29¾. Indo Chinas have been taken off the market at $72. Douglas Steamships have been fixed at $49½ and $49. Star Ferries have been sold at $19 and $19¼.

Refineries.—Continue neglected.

Mining.—Punjoms have changed hands at $8¾, and are wanted at the rate. Charbonnages have improved their position, and have been done at $240 and $245. Jelebus have been placed at $14½, $14¾ and $15. Raubs after sales at $52½ and $63 are enquired for at $64. Olivers "B" are quiet with probable sellers at $7¾. The A shares have been fixed at $12. Great Eastern and Caledonians are obtainable at $2.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been taken off the market at 52[illegible] and 525 per cent. premium, and close firm with buyers at 530 per cent. premium. Kowloon Wharf shares have been done at $26½ and $27.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands after sales at $115 have been sold at $114 and $113. Kowloon Lands have been negotiated at $28. Hongkong Hotels have been booked at $130, and are firm at the rate. Humphreys' Estate have been done at $10.15 and $10.25.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons have been sold at $59, and are wanted.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been placed at $28 and are enquired for at $28½. China Borneos are wanted at $10½. A. S. Watsons have been done in small lots at $16½ and $16¾. Hongkong Electrics have been sold at $13, and Fenwicks at $42½.

Coal at Vladivostok.

In view of the depressed state of the coal market in Japan of late, says the *Osaka Asahi*, the Hokkaido Colliery and Railway Company recently dispatched a commissioner to Vladivostok to make inquiries as to the state of the coal market there. It was found that the price of coal at Vladivostok was so high that the factories could hardly afford to use it, while the trains on the Siberian railway are being driven with an inferior coal produced in the vicinity of the line, mixed with wood. A very heavy import duty, however, which is practically a prohibitive duty, is imposed on coal, so that there is no hope of a market for Japanese coal being found at Vladivostok.

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The Cotton Market.

The Japanese cotton yarn market has decidedly improved of late. On the authority of a cotton spinner, the *Osaka Asahi* states that the export of yarn this year is generally believed to reach 400,000 bales. This estimate is based on the fact that the export up to the end of July amounted to 191,800 bales, and the market in North China is improving steadily. The quantity exported last month amounted to 35,400 bales, and it is thought the total will reach not far short of 400,000 bales at the end of the year.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

Fire at Kobe.

The following is given as the list of insurances on the property destroyed on the 20th inst. at Kobe:—The buildings were insured for 16,000 yen in the National Assurance Co. of Ireland (Messrs Borigny & Co.); Mr Julien was insured with the Magdeburger Feuer Co. (Messrs Becker & Co., Agents) for 10,000 yen; the Dogyo Fire Insurance Co. 2,500 yen; and the insurance on Teikoku for yen 4,000; the insurance on the *Hiogo News* property was 5,000 yen in the Queen's (Messrs Strachan & Co., Ltd.); 5,000 yen in the Commercial Union (Messrs Browne & Co.); and 2,600 yen in the South British (Messrs Smith, Baker & Co. Mr Colty was insured in L'Union de Paris for yen 6,500.

Post Office Delays.

Yesterday (says the *Kobe Chronicle* of the 23rd inst.) we received a letter which had been posted on August 5th at Hongkong, and we learn that a number of other letters from Hongkong, written about the same date, also reached Kobe yesterday, after a journey of fifty-one days. On inquiring the reason of the delay we are informed by the Post Office that the Hongkong mail which came on by the T. K. K. *Nippon Maru* was over-carried to San Francisco! Who is responsible for this carelessness? By the mail a very important letter was sent to us from Hongkong, requiring an immediate answer. Fortunately, however, the writer took the unusual precaution to forward a duplicate by a later mail; otherwise we might have elapsed and much inconvenience have been caused by the non-receipt of the letter. That the [illegible] containing these mails was over-carried both at Kobe and Yokohama indicates gross carelessness somewhere, and it would be interesting to know against whom lies a claim for loss sustained by this negligence.

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[illegible] TIDES.

The Tide Table given below has been compiled by the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-89.

The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 [illegible] below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in. and for the gauge at Lamont Dock Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

—K.—

1st to 7th October.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
[illegible]	1	m 6 15 7 [illegible] a	4 2 6 1	m 0 4 1 [illegible] a	2 2 6 1
[illegible]	2	m 7 [illegible] [illegible]	4 3 [illegible] 7	m 0 7 1 3[illegible] a	1 8 0 1
[illegible]	3	m 7 48 [illegible]	4 3 5 11	m 1 4[illegible] 2 3 a	1 2 0 1
[illegible]	4	m 8 2[illegible] 8 [illegible]	[illegible] 1 4	m 2 1[illegible] 2 2 a	0 8 0 8
[illegible]	5	m 9 [illegible] 8 50 a	1 1 4 8	m [illegible] 2 50 a	0 4 0 5
Fri.	6	m 9 45 [illegible]	5 10 [illegible] 1	m 3 [illegible] 3 24 a	0 0 0 9
Sat.	7	m 10 18 [illegible]	3 7 5 5	m 4 1[illegible] 3 47 a	[illegible] 3 [illegible]

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

September 29th —AT 4 P.M.

Station	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain.
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	3[illegible].06	—	—	NW	6	—	—
Kochi	29.[illegible]5	—	—	—	0	—	—
Nagasaki	29.9[illegible]	—	—	SE	1	—	—
Kagoshima	[illegible].9	—	—	—	0	—	—
Gutzlaff	[illegible]	71	[illegible]2	NNE	[illegible]	ov	—
Sharp Pk.	[illegible].9	76	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	c	—
Amoy	[illegible].9[illegible]	80	96	WSW	2	b	—
Swatow	[illegible]	76	—	N	[illegible]	o	—
Canton	29.97	81	56	NW	1	b	—
Hongkong	29.9[illegible]	80	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	o	—
Vict. Pk.		—	—	NE	2	—	—
Gap Rock	29.9[illegible]	—	[illegible]	NNE	3	—	—
Macao	29.9	85	—	N	1	c	—
Haiphong	—		—	—	—	—	—
Manila	29.76	86	71	W	2	c	—
Malate	—	—		SW	3	b	—
Bacolod	—	—	—	S	2	b	—
Iloilo	[illegible].8	82	—	SW	2	o	—
Cebu	29.81	8[illegible]	—	SW	2	o	—
C. S. James	—		—	S	2	c	—

September 3[illegible]th—[illegible] 10 A.M.

Station	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain.
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	29.9	—	—	SW	4	—	—
Kochi	29.8	—	—	—	0	—	—
Nagasaki	29.95	—	—	SW	2	—	—
Kagoshima	29.9[illegible]	—	—	SW	4	—	—
Gutzlaff	[illegible]0 [illegible]	68	60	N	5	om	—
Sharp Pk.	30.07	73	67	NE	3	o	—
Amoy	29.[illegible]	76	94	NNE	1	b	—
Swatow	30.07	76	—	N	2	b	—
Canton	—	—				—	—
Hongkong	30.0	78	89	N	4	b	—
Vict. Pk.	—	—	—	NE	4	—	—
Gap Rock	30.[illegible]1		—	NNE	4	—	—
Macao	30.0	—	—	N	1	c	—
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	29.8	86	71	NW	1	c	—
Malate	—	—	—	SW	1	c	—
Bacolod	—	—	—	S	2	o	—
Iloilo	29.85	8[illegible]	—	W	3	c	—
Cebu	29.91	82	—	SW	2	c	—
C. S. James	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

F. G. FIGG, *First Assistant,*
Hongkong Observatory, Sept. 30, 1899.

1. BAROMETER; reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths, and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
7. Rain, in inches, tenths, and hundredths.

Shipping.

Steamers.

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THE Company's Steamship MAIDZURU MARU, Captain T. OGATA, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 1st October, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, *Agents.*
Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2127

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*
Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1899. 2102

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APCAR, Captain J. G. OLIFENT, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 2nd October, at 3 p.m.

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Hongkong, Sept. 26, 1899. 2143

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship SARPEDON, Captain GATER, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 4th October.

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Hongkong, September 28, 1899. 2117

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship CALCHAS, Captain GREGORY, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 17th October.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*
Hongkong, September 25, 1899. 2132

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship ORESTES, Captain PULFORD, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st October.

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Hongkong, September 25, 1899. 2135

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*
Hongkong, September 9, 1899. 2015

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*
Hongkong, September 28, 1899. 2018

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship TSINAN, Captain ANDERSON, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd October.

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Hongkong, September 30, 1899. 2104

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

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Hongkong, September 28, 1899. 2016

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Company's Steamship NANCHANG, Captain FINLAYSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 5th October.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*
Hongkong, Sept. 26, 1899. 2148

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.'s NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE New Steamship PING-SUEY, Captain C. DE LA PERRELLE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 7th October, 1899.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1899. 1896

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE British Steamship ARGYLL will be despatched for the above Port, and will be followed by
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S. S. AFGHANISTAN, } of 2 weeks.

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Hongkong, Sept. 19, 1899. 1729

FOR PHILADELPHIA & NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship ST. MARK, DUDLEY, Master, shortly expected from MANILA, will load here for the above Ports and will have quick despatch.

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A DOCTOR'S TESTIMONY.
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"Routh Park, Cardiff, South Wales, Sept. 28, 1893.
"I have indeed, great pleasure in adding my testimony to your excellent preparation of Cough Lozenges, and I have prescribed it now for the last eight years in my hospitals and private practice, and found it of great benefit. I often suffer from Chronic Bronchitis; your Lozenge is the only remedy which gives me immediate ease. Therefore I certainly and most strongly recommend your Lozenges to the public who may suffer from Catarrh, Bronchitis, Winter Cough, or any kind of Pulmonary Irritation.—Yours truly,
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Names.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Airlie	1 c	Clyma	British str.	2500	Sept. 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Sydney, &c.	Oct. 2.
Amara	7 c	Matlock	British str.	1567	Sept. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Andalusia	3 c	Schonefeldt	Ger. str.	7000	Sept. 30	Siemssen & Co.	Singapore	To-day.
Arratoon Apcar	7 c	Abrahart	British str.	1392	Sept. 24	Order	S'pore and Bombay	Oct. 2.
Arako Maru	7 c	Tasaka	Japan. str.	1886	Sept. 20	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	S'pore & Calcutta	Oct. 2.
Bisagno	k w	Dante	Italian str.	1809	Sept. 26	Carlowitz & Co.	San Francisco	Oct. 3.
Catherine Apcar	4 c	Olifent	British str.	1730	Sept. 25	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.		
China	4 c	Seabury	Amer. str.	3187	Sept. 21	P. M. S. S. Co.		
Chingwo	4 c	Harris	British str.	2517	Sept. 27	Holliday, Wise & Co.		
Doric	5 c	Smith	British str.	4674	Sept. 30	O. & O. S. S. Co.		
Equatoria	3 c	Daly	Belgian str.	1200	Sept. 28	Order	....	K'loon Dock
Esmeralda	...	Cobban	Brit. str.	916	Sept. 29	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Kausang	3 c	Mitchell	British str.	1410	Sept. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow and Tamsui	Oct. 1.
Formosa	5 h	Douglas	British str.	674	Sept. 29	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow & Foochow	Oct. 3.
Haitan	5 h	Roach	British str.	1183	Sept. 30	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Huo[illegible]	3 c	Merleers	French str.	704	Sept. 28	A. R. Marty		
Independent	3 c	Holtz	Ger. str.	857	Sept. 28	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Kachidate Maru	7 c	Fujiki	Japan. str.	2143	Sept. 28	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Shanghai	Sept. 30.
Kaifong	3 c	Laver	British str.	998	Sept. 24	Butterfield & Swire		
Kwang Lee	3 c	Lincoln	Chi. str.	1505	Sept. 27	C. M. S. N. Co.	Manila	Oct. 3.
Kwang Ping	3 c	Blake	Chi. str.	2000	Sept. 29	Chinese		
Legazpi	...	Tribar	Span. str.	949	Sept. 4	Order		
Maidzuru Maru	3 c	Ogata	Japan. str.	667	Sept. 30	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Monmouthshire	4 c	Evans	British str.	2347	Sept. 30	Dodwell & Co., Limited		
Progress	3 c	Brandt	Ger. str.	687	Sept. 28	Chinese		
Quarta	3 c	Johannsen	Ger. str.	1146	Sept. 27	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Robert Dickenson	8 k	Macdonnell	British sh.	1331	Sept. 29	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki & Y'hama	Oct. 1
Rohilla	5 c	Lockyer	British str.	2216	Sept. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Salabadji	7 c	Anema	Dutch str.	1235	Sept. 25	Meyer & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Suevia	...	Forck	Ger. str.	26 2	Sept. 14	Carlowitz & Co.	....	Cos'tau Dock
Taiyuan	...	Nelson	British str.	1468	Sept. 3	Butterfield & Swire		
Wyefield	3 c	Cartner	British str.	2083	Sept. 20	Order	Manila	Oct. 4.
Yuensang	6 c	Rolfe	British str.	1128	Sept. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sailing Vessels.								
Challenger	2 k	Gould	Amer. sh.	1420	Sept. 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Etha Rickmers	7 h	Benoke	Ger. sh.	1754	Sept. 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Governor Robie	2 c	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1627	Aug. 21	Standard Oil Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Hatton Hall	2 k	Thurber	Brit. sh.	1989	Sept. 5	Order		
Josephus	...	Gilkey	Amer. sh.	1547	Aug. 30	Standard Oil Co.		
May Flint	2 c	Banfield	Amer. sh.	3576	Sept. 20	Standard Oil Co.		
Retriever	8 c	Parker	Brit. sch.	96	Sept. 7	Order		
St. David	2 k	Lyons	Amer. sh.	1400	Aug. 15	Order		
St. James	8 k	Tapley	Amer. bqe.	1453	Sept. 29	Order		
Saila	4 c	Huestes	B. 4-m bk.	2087	Aug. 25	Order		
Valkyrien	2 c	Hall	Brit. bqe.	493	Sept. 23	Order		
Wanath	7 c	Haynes	Brit. sch.	52	Sept. 23	F. W. Hall.		

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.—SEPTEMBER 30, 1899.

(CORRECTED UP TO 1 P.M.)

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$125	all	346 % prem = $557.50
Bank of China & Japan, Limited preference shares	199,875	£8	£4	£1.0.0
" ordinary "	1,250	£1	£1	£5.5
" deferred "	...	£1		
National Bank of China, Limited		£	8	$20½, buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$147½, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$83.33	$25	$64½, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£100	£25	Tls. 200
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$100	$20	$35, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$260, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld	8,000	$100	$60	$124
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$88, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$250	$50	$335, sellers
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$125	all	530 % prem. = $787.50
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$50	all	$90, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$50	all	$49, sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$15	$29¾, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£10	all	$72, buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£10	£10	£10, buyers
		£10	£10	£7 "
Do. (new issue)	20,000	£10	£5	£3.10 "
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$10	$7½	$19, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$100	all	$147, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$10[illegible]	all	$52, sellers
WHARVES.				
HK & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$50	all	$261, sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited	2,600	$100	$37½	$45, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$10[illegible]	$5[illegible]	$113, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$50	$30	$28, sellers
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	37,000	$10	all	$10.25, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$50	$5	$33
TRAMWAYS.				
HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,260	$100	all	$147½, buyers
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	40,000	$5	all	$14½, buyers
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,600	$6	all	$8¾, buyers
Preference shares	30,000	$1	all	$2
Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	85,000	$5	$5	$2, sellers
Great Eastern & Caledonian preference shares	70,000	$1	$1	75 cents, buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$245, buyers
Queen's Mine, Limited	400,000	25 cents	25 cts.	45 cents
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£1	14/10	$64, buyers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ld.	A 15,000	$5	$5	$12, sales
	B 45,000	$5	$4½	$7.50
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ld.	12,000	$50	all	$130, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	$10	all	$16½, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	5,000	£10	all	$127
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$10	$10	$13, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$10	$10	$28½, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	10,000	£1	£	15/ nom.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$10	all	$14, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$25	$25	$42½
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld.	600	$50	all	$25
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$7½	$5	$5¼
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	all	$130, sellers
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	5,000	$50	all	$190, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	[illegible]	$100	$10[illegible]	$50, buyers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	17,500	Tls 10[illegible]	Tls 10[illegible]	Tls. 68
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 75
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 77½, sellers
Carmichael & Co., Ld.	2,000	$25	$25	$38
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls 500	Tls. 350
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Ld.	50,000	$2[illegible]	$1[illegible]	$9½

* Founder's shares

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1888 e	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	10 % prem.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Nippon Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Oct. 19, at Noon.
America Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Nov. 14, at Noon.
Hongkong Maru, (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at Noon.

THE S. S. *NIPPON MARU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 19th Oct., at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route.*

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN, PACIFIC CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, *Agent.*
Hongkong, September 23, 1899. 3120

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HISTORY OF THE CHURCHES OF INDIA, BURMA, SIAM, THE MALAY PENINSULA, CAMBODIA, ANNAM, THIBET, COREA AND JAPAN,
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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China-(via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, — TUESDAY, October 3, at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, N'ki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama & H'lulu., — FRIDAY, October 27, at Noon.

City of Peking (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and Honolulu)..... — TUESDAY, Nov. 21, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 3rd October, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, Sept. 7, 1899. 2006

Occidental and Oriental Steam-ship Co.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). — Tuesday, October 10, at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). — Saturday, Nov. 4, at Noon.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). — Thursday, Nov. 30, at Noon.

THE Co.'s Steamship *DORIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 10th October, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

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Passenger who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 18, 1899. 2083

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N. B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Sachsen	Wednesday	October 11.
Bayern	Wednesday	Nov. 8.
König Albert....	Wednesday	Dec. 13.
Prinz Heinrich	Wednesday	Dec. 27.
Preussen.....	Wednesday	Jan. 10.
Karlsruhe.....	Wednesday	Jan. 24.
Sachsen..... ...	Wednesday	Feb. 7.
Hamburg	Wednesday	Feb. 21
Bayern	Wednesday	March 7

ON WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of October, 1899, at 9 a.m., the Company's Steamship *SACHSEN*, Captain F. MENTZ, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 9th October. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 10th Oct., and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon on TUESDAY, the 10th Oct. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, September 13, 1899. 2055



STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE S.S. *COROMANDEL*, Capt. F. W. VIBERT, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 14th October, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1899. 2106

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, HONOLULU, and SAN FRANCISCO, UNITED STATES, MEXICO, The CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA, Etc.

S. S. *Thyra*.....3,405 Tons .....On 15th October.
S. S. *Belgian King*...3,379 Tons....About 31st October.
S. S. *Carmarthenshire*...2,029 Tons...About 15th November.
S.S. *Carlisle City*...3,002 Tons.....About 15th December.

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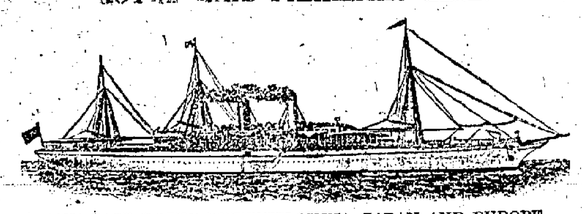
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Breconshire...	3567	R. Peebles.....	Oct. 28	*Abergeldie*..	3777	J. Murray.....	Nov. 11
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SADO MARU, W. THOMSON,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, *Via* SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	FRIDAY, 6th Oct., at Noon.
TAMBA MARU, J. W. WALE,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 21st Oct., at Noon.
HIROSHIMA MARU, S. YOSHIZAWA,	BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	TUESDAY, 3rd Oct., at Noon.

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Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
* S. S. *SAVOIA*, Capt. JÄGER,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (London with transhipment in H'burg).	On 12th October. Freight & Passage.
* S. S. *HEIDELBERG*, Capt. SCHÜDER,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 5th November. Freight.
S. S. *ANDALUSIA*, Capt. SCHÖNFELDT,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (London with transhipment in H'burg).	About 15th November. Freight.
* S. S. *SIBIRIA*, Capt. HILDEBRANDT,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (London with transhipment in H'burg.	About 20th November. Freight & Passage.
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Hongkong, September 28, 1899. 1878

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		PAID. Highest. Cash.	PAID. Lowest. Cash.	Chinese Names.
Butcher Meat.				肉食
Bacon, English,	lb.	—	—	來路烟豬肉
,, Ame. Sugar cured	,,	34	30	花旗烟豬肉
,, Foochow,	,,	—	—	福州烟豬肉
,, Japan, cured	,,	—	—	日本烟豬肉
Beef, sirloin & prime cut.	lb.	14	130	尾龍扒
,, Corned,	,,	15	140	鹹牛肉
,, Roast,	,,	140	130	燒牛肉
,, Soup,	,,	10	90	湯肉
,, Steak,	,,	140	130	牛扒
Smoked Tongue Shanghai,	each	310	300	烟牛利
Bullock's Brains,	per set	50	40	牛腦
,, Tongue fresh,	each	400	350	牛脷
,, ,, corned	,,	450	400	鹹牛脷
,, Head,	,,	500	400	牛頭
,, Heart,	lb.	100	60	牛心
,, Hump, Salt	,,	150	140	牛峰
,, Feet,	each	60	50	牛腳
,, Kidneys,	,,	80	70	牛腰
,, Tail,	,,	140	130	牛尾
,, Liver,	lb.	100	90	牛肝
,, Tripe (undressed),	,,	50	40	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet,	set	450	400	牛仔頭腳
Hams, American,	lb.	400	340	火腿
,, Chinese,	,,	200	240	中火腿
,, English, New,	,,	460	400	英國火腿
,, Japan cured,	,,	—	—	日本火腿
,, Shanghai,	,,	240	230	上海火腿
Mutton Chop,	,,	180	170	羊仔骨
,, Leg,	,,	180	170	羊腳
,, Shoulder,	,,	17	160	羊肩
Pigs' Chitlings	,,	70	60	豬腸
,, Feet,	,,	110	100	豬腳
,, Fry,	,,	130	120	豬雜
,, Head,	,,	130	120	豬頭
,, Heart,	,,	60	50	豬心
,, Kidneys,	pair	10	10	豬腰
,, Liver,	lb.	160	140	豬肝
Pork, Chop,	,,	180	170	豬排骨
,, Corned,	,,	230	220	鹹豬肉
,, Leg,	,,	140	130	豬腳
,, Fat or Lard,	,,	160	150	豬肥
Sheeps' Head and Feet,	set	400	350	羊頭腳
,, Heart,	each	50	40	羊心
,, Kidneys,	,,	100	90	羊腰
,, Liver,	lb.	200	190	羊肝
Sucking Pigs, To Order	catty.	350	300	乳豬
Suet, Beef,	lb.	150	140	生牛油
,, Mutton,	,,	140	130	生羊油
Veal,	,,	150	140	牛仔肉
Poultry.				禽類
Chicken,	catty	230	220	雞仔
Capons,	,,	320	310	閹雞
Ducks,	,,	200	190	鴨
Doves,	each	—	—	鴿仔
Eggs, Hen	doz.	150	140	雞蛋
,, Duck	,,	150	140	鴨蛋
Fowls, Canton,	catty	290	280	雞
,, Hainan,	,,	250	230	海南雞
Geese,	,,	280	270	鵝
Hares,	each	—	—	兎仔
Musk Deer,	,,	—	—	麝香鹿
Pigeons,	,,	250	200	白鴿
Partridges,	each	—	—	鷓鴣
Pheasant,	brace	—	—	上等山鷄
Quail	each	—	—	鶉
Rice Birds,	dozen	400	300	鳥花卡
Snipe,	each	200	150	沙錐
Turkeys, Cock,	catty	800	750	火鷄公
,, Hen,	,,	450	400	火鷄嫲
Wild Ducks,	pair	—	—	上等水鴨
Fish.				海鮮
Barbel,	catty	130	120	鯉魚
Bream,	,,	130	120	鯇魚
Bombay Ducks,	pieces	250	240	孟買魚
Canton Fresh Water Fish,	catty	—	—	河魚
Carp,	,,	120	110	鯉魚
Catfish,	,,	70	60	鮎魚
Codfish,	,,	80	70	鱈魚
Crabs,	,,	120	100	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	,,	60	50	墨魚
Dab,	,,	70	60	沙鰈魚
Dace,	,,	60	50	鯇魚
Dog Fish,	,,	50	40	鯊魚
Eels, Conger,	,,	110	100	海鰻
,, Fresh water,	,,	150	140	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow,	,,	140	130	黃鰻
Fresh Fish, Large,	,,	140	130	鮮魚
Frogs,	,,	320	300	田雞
Garoupa,	,,	400	350	石斑
Gudgeon,	,,	120	110	白鮓魚
Herrings,	,,	170	160	鯡白
Halibut,	catty	170	160	比目魚
Labrus,	,,	110	100	青衣
Leach,	,,	130	120	鱔
Lobsters,	,,	250	240	龍蝦
Mackerel,	,,	200	190	鯖魚
Monk Fish,	,,	250	230	鮟鱇
Mullet,	,,	130	120	烏頭
Oysters,	,,	170	160	生蠔
Parrotfish,	,,	130	120	鸚哥魚
Perch,	,,	130	120	鱸魚
Pike,	,,	110	100	花鼓
Plaice,	,,	200	190	鰈魚
Pomfret, Black,	catty	150	140	烏鯧
Pomfret, White,	,,	190	180	白鯧
Prawns,	,,	200	190	明蝦
Ray,	,,	70	60	魟魚沙
Rock Fish,	,,	130	120	石狗公
Roach,	,,	150	140	鯽魚
Salmon, (Cohon), fresh water	,,	110	100	馬友魚
Shark,	,,	60	50	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	,,	170	150	鹹魚
Skate,	,,	100	90	鱙
Shrimps,	,,	150	140	蝦
Snapper,	,,	210	200	紅魚
Soles,	,,	100	90	龍沙魚
Tench,	,,	210	200	鯉魚
Turbot,	,,	150	140	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	,,	350	300	烏龜
White Bait,	,,	140	120	銀魚仔
Fruits.				菓子
Apples, (California),	catty	100	90	金山平菓
,, (Tientsin),	,,	—	—	天津平菓
,, (Japan),	,,	—	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant,	,,	30	20	香蕉
,, (brides),	,,	30	20	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	,,	120	110	栗菓
Carambola,	,,	100	80 40	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	70	60	椰子
Grapes,	catty	400	350	鮮提子
Ground Nuts,	,,	100	90	花生
Lemons, China,	,,	60	50	檸檬
Lichees, Dried,	catty	250	220	荔枝乾
Lichees, Fresh,	,,	—	—	荔枝
Limes, (Saigon),	,,	—	—	西貢柑橄
Mangosteen,	per	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	100	90	新會甜橙
Olives,	,,	150	140	白欖
Pears, (American),	,,	—	—	金山雪梨
,, (Canton), Cooking	,,	60	50	上海梨
,, (Shanghai),	,,	90	80	雪梨
Pine-apples,	each	100	80 60	菠蘿
Plums, Namwah,	,,	—	—	南華李
,, Red,	,,	—	—	紅李
Pumelo, Siam,	each	60	50	暹羅柚
,, Canton,	,,	—	—	省城稀柚
Walnuts,	,,	100	90	鮮合桃
,, Fresh,	,,	—	—	
Water Chesnuts, com.	,,	40	30	荸薺
,, Mandarin,	,,	70	60	省城西瓜
Water Melon, Canton,	,,	—	—	上海西瓜
,, Shanghai,	,,	—	—	黃皮
Wong Pi,	,,	—	—	
Vegetables, &c.				菜蔬
Artichokes, Shanghai,	catty	—	—	上海丫爸仔
Beans, (French),	,,	—	—	法國豆仔
,, Sprout,	,,	20	10	芽菜
,, Long,	,,	70	60	豆角
,, (Macao),	,,	150	120	澳門豆角
Beet Root,	each	30	20	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,	catty	—	—	青矮瓜
,, Red,	,,	50	40	紅瓜
Brassica,	,,	40	30	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,	,,	80	70	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com.	,,	50	40	菜頭
Cabbage, (Shanghai),	each	—	—	椰菜花
Cauliflower,	,,	—	—	金菜
Carrots,	catty	110	100	唐芹菜
Celery, Chinese,	,,	80	70	芹菜
,, English,	,,	—	—	西芹菜
Chillies Dried,	,,	200	180	辣椒乾
,, Red,	,,	100	80	紅辣椒
,, Green,	,,	70	60	青辣椒
Curry Stuff, English,	,,	50	40	咖喱粉
Cucumbers,	,,	60	50	青瓜
Bitter Squash,	,,	—	—	苦瓜
Garlic,	,,	50	40	蒜頭
Ginger, young,	,,	60	50	薑仔
,, old,	,,	50	40	老薑
Horse Radish, Shai,	,,	55	50	辣根
Indian Corn,	piece.	—	—	玉米
Lettuce,	each	20	10	生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh,	catty	—	—	鮮蘑菇
Onions, Bombay,	,,	80	70	孟買蔥
,, Green,	,,	40	30	青蔥
,, Shanghai,	,,	60	50	上海蔥頭
,, Japan,	,,	50	40	日本蔥頭
Okroos,	,,	120	100	羊角豆
Parsley, English,	bundle	20	10	洋芫荽
Potatoes, Sweet,	catty	30	20	番薯仔
,, Shanghai,	,,	30	20	上海薯仔
,, Japan,	,,	30	20	日本薯仔
,, American,	,,	—	—	花旗薯仔
,, Foochow,	,,	—	—	福州薯仔
,, Macao,	,,	50	30	澳門薯仔
Pumpkin,	,,	2	10	金瓜
Radish,	dozen	30	0	白蘿蔔仔
Rice, best quality, per picul,		$4 80	—	上白米
,, Common ,, ,,		$4.00	—	中白米
Shalots,	catty	80	70	蔥頭
Spinage, (Chinese)	,,	—	—	菜薳
Spinach,	,,	50	40	菠菜
Snake Gourd,	,,	—	—	蛇瓜
Tomatoes,	,,	120	100	番茄
Taros,	,,	30	20	白芋
Turnips, Punti, (Long),	,,	30	20	蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow,	,,	50	40	冬瓜
Water Cresses,	,,	100	90	西洋菜
Yams,	,,	40	30	大薯

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" 12 " 4 " "

T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

Hongkong, August 19, 1899. 368

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1517

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED.....£1,125,000
PAID UP.....£ 562,500
RESERVE FUND.....£ 20,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

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" 3 " .....2½ %

J. THURBURN, *Manager, Hongkong.*

Hongkong, April 29, 1899. 2346

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £500,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. H. WHITEHEAD, *Manager.*

Hongkong, May 20, 1899. 846

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED and PAID-UP) ... ... Yen 12,000,000
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On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.
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On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.

S. CHOH, *Agent.*

Hongkong, July 31, 1899. 589

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PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... " 2,500,000

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On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3%
" " 6 " ... 4%
" " 12 " ... 5%

E. W. RUTTER, *Acting Manager.*

Hongkong, October 15, 1898. 1970

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL.....£ 324,374.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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J. T. LAUTS, Esq.
Chief Manager:
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed ... ... 5%.

Hongkong, May 30, 1899. 171

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1898, £13,959,969.
Authorised Capital £3,000,000.0.0
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000.0.0
Paid-up Capital ..... £ 687,500.0.0
Fire Funds £2,765,459.7.11

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Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1537

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Hongkong, January 5, 1899. 45

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Hongkong, January 2, 1899. 3 83

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2, Duddell Street,
Hongkong, September 1, 1899. 1972

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714).

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £150,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £3,254,023.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £925,206.

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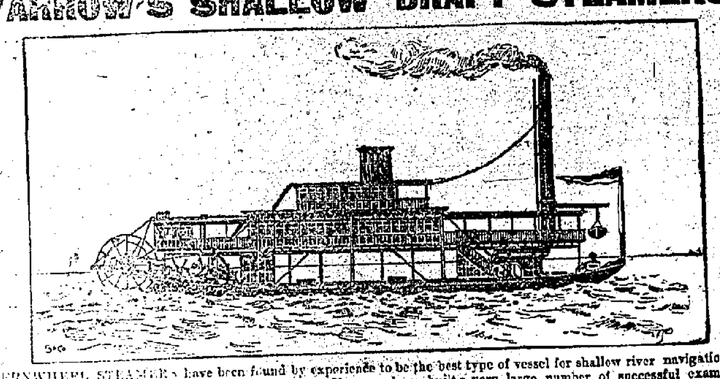
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Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	10	3000	Comdr. A. H. Smith-Dorrien	Hakodate
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander E. J. W. Slade	Foochow
Aurora	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Captain E. H. Bayly	Hakodate
Barfleur†	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Hon. S. U. J. Colville, C.B.	Hongkong
Bonaventure	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Capt. R. A. J. Montgomerie, C.B.	Shanghai
Brisk	cruiser, 3rd class	1770	6	3500	Com. R. B. S. Wray	Hakodate
Centurion*	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain J. R. Jellicoe	Hakodate
Daphne	sloop	1140	3	2069	Comd. C. W. Winnington-Ingram	Manila
Endymion	cruiser, 1st class	7350	12	10,000	Capt. G. A. Callaghan	Shanghai
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	360	3	200	Lt.-Com. C. Chadwick	Hakodate
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut.-Com. R. J. Keyes	Hongkong
Firebrand	gunboat, 2nd class	455	2	360		Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000		Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000		Hakodate
Hermione	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Capt. R. S. D. Cumming	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	1640	—	1640		Hakodate
Iphigenia	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. H. N. Dudding	Hakodate
Linnet	gun-vessel, 2nd class	735	2	870	Com. Wm. W. Smythe	Yokohama
Orlando	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Captain J. H. T. Burke	Manila
Peacock	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. J. G. Armstrong	Singapore
Phœnix	sloop	1050	6	1400	Capt. R. P. Cochran	Hankow
Pigmy	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. J. F. Green	Weihaiwei
Plover	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lt.-Com. C. V. de M. Cowper	Nagasaki
Presidente Sarmiento	Argentine training vessel	2850	—	—	Captain Bellecder	Yokohama
Rattler	gunboat, 1st class	715	6	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Singapore
Redpole	gunboat	805	6	720	Lt.-Com. F. F. Haworth Booth	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Comdr. H. C. Carr	Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870		Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4050	—	—	Commodore Francis Powell	West River
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	200	Lt.-Com. H. E. Hillman	Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Hakodate
Victorious	battleship, 1st class	14,900	16	12,000	Capt. A. Schomberg	Fu-ning
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Comdr. W. P. Dawson	Hakodate
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5000	Lieut.-Com. E. Kelly	Hongkong
Wivern	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1000	Comdr. H. J. Davison	Yangtse River
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. H. D. S. Watson	Yangtse River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Comdr. Barton	

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, K.C.B. † Flagship of Rear-Admiral C. S. P. Fitzgerald.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Kaiserin Elizabeth	Austrian cruiser	4000	23	—	Capt. Julius Beck von Wellstaedt	Nagasaki
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journet	Saigon
D'Entrecasteaux	French flagship	—	—	—	Captain de Maroll	Saigon
Descartes	French cruiser	4000	14	8500	Capt. Philibert	Foochow
Eclaireur	French cruiser	1658	8	2050	Capt. Texier	Taku
Jean Bart	French cruiser	4500	—	—	Capt. Aubin	Nagasaki
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. de la Motte du Portail	Saigon
Léon	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Amet	Shanghai
Pascal	French cruiser	3938	14	8500	Captain de Brétizel	Woosung
Surprise	French gunboat	620	2	900	Captain de Plassix	Saigon
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Kwongchauwan
Deutschland	German ironclad	8000	—	8000	Captain Muller	Yokohama
Gefion	German cruiser	4100	16	6000	Captain Rollmann	Shanghai
Iltis	German gunboat	—	10	—	Commander W. Laris	Kiaochau
Irene	German cruiser	4200	8	9930	Commander Ohnheimer	Foochow
Kaiserin Augusta	German cruiser	6331	20	13,000	Captain Koelner	Nagasaki
Moeve	German gunboat	800	—	—	Capt. Merten	
Elba	Italian cruiser	2752	12	6500	Capt. Ceccani	Shanghai
Etna	Italian cruiser	3530	10	6934	Capt. Giovanni Giorello	Shanghai
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2639	15	12,200		Shanghai
Stromboli	Italian cruiser	3898	12	6131	Captain Constantino	
Africa	Portuguese transport	1460	—	—	Capt. Vasco Carvalho	Macao
Liberal	Portuguese gunboat	400	3	400	Comdr. Cunha Lima	Macao
Admiral Kornicloff	Russian cruiser	5500	16	9000	Captain Yakoleff	Nagasaki
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Perewego	Vladivostock
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	2	1150	Captain Boisman	Nagasaki
Dimitry Donskoy	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Capt. Sharon	Vladivostock
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	3	3500	Capt. Sorebrennikoff	Vladivostock
Gremiutchy	Russian gunboat	1490	3	2090	Capt. Miklashevsky	Nagasaki
Koreetz	Russian sloop	1200	3	1460	Commander Kachaloff	Chemulpo
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	4	—	Captain Feuvile	Nagasaki
Navarin	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,000	4	—	Captain Copriuoff	Nagasaki
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	2	2000	Captain Niedermilles	Vladivostock
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	15	8000	Captain Domojiroff	Vladivostock
Rossia	Russian cruiser	12,200	28	—	Captain Domojiroff	Nagasaki
Rurik	Russian flagship	10,923	20	13,250	Comdr. Haupt	Port Arthur
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Captain Baranoff	Port Arthur
Sissoi Veliky	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,000	14	8500	Captain Mollas	
Sivootch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1120	Captain Niedermuller	Nagasaki
Vladimir Monamach	Russian armoured cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Prince Ouchtomsky	
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	11	3500	Capt. Rogulia	Vladivostock
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1230	6	1194	Commander Komaroff	
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4413	10	10,084	Captain J. M. Forsythe	Manila
Bennington	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	3436	Commander E. D. Taussig	Manila
Callao	U. S. gunboat	137	1	255	Lieut. Benjamin Tappan	Manila
Castine	U. S. gunboat	1177	8	2199	Commander S. W. Very	Manila
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	3730	8	6669	Captain E. W. Pigman	Manila
Concord	U. S. gunboat	1703	6	3475	Lieut.-Com. J. B. Briggs	Manila
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1988	Captain E. K. Moore	Manila
Manila	U. S. gunboat	1057	2	750	Lieut.-Com. A. P. Nazro	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	3990	6	3000	Commander J. McGowan	Manila
Monocacy	U. S. monitor	1370	6	850	Comdr. G. A. Bicknell	Shanghai
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. E. H. C. Leutze	Manila
Oregon	U. S. 1st class battle ship	10,288	18	11,111	Captain C. E. F. Wilde	Manila
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	892	4	1085	Commander C. C. Cornwell	Manila
Princeton	U. S. gunboat	1900	6	800	Commander Harry Knox	Hongkong
Wheeling	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	1081	Commander W. T. Burwell	Manila
Yorktown	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	1081	Commander C. S. Sperry	Iloilo
Yosemite	U. S. cruiser	6179	10	3800	Captain G. E. Ide	Guam

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